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### Classification of Offenses.

The term "offenses known to the police" is designed to include those crimes designated as part I classes of the uniform classification occurring within the police jurisdiction, whether they become known to the police through reports of police officers, of citizens, of prosecuting or court officials, or otherwise. They are confined to the following group of seven classes of grave offenses, shown by experience to be those most generally and completely reported to the police: Criminal homicide, including (a) murder, nonnegligent manslaughter, and (b) manslaughter by negligence; rape; robbery; aggravated assault; burglary—breaking or entering; larceny— Theft; and auto theft. The figures contained herein include also the number of attempted crimes of the designated classes. Attempted murders, however, are reported as aggravated assaults. In other words, an attempted burglary or robbery, for example, is reported in the bulletin in the same manner as if the crime had been completed.

"Offenses known to the police" include, therefore, all of the above offenses, including attempts, which are reported by the police departments of contributing cities and not merely arrests or cleared cases. Complaints which upon investigation are learned to be groundless are not included in the tabulations which follow.

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In the last section of this bulletin may be found brief definitions of part I and part II offense classifications.

**Extent of Reporting Area.**

In the table which follows there is shown the number of police departments from which one or more crime reports were received during the first 3 months of 1938. Information is presented for the cities divided according to size. The population figures employed are estimates as of July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census for cities with population in excess of 10,000. No estimates were available, however, for those with a smaller number of inhabitants, and, accordingly, for them the figures listed in the 1930 decennial census were used.

| Population group                  | Total number of cities or towns | Cities filing returns |         | Total population | Population represented in returns |         |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|---------|------------------|-----------------------------------|---------|
|                                   |                                 | Number                | Percent |                  | Number                            | Percent |
| Total.....                        | 983                             | 880                   | 89.5    | 60,281,688       | 58,074,906                        | 96.3    |
| 1. Cities over 250,000.....       | 37                              | 37                    | 100.0   | 29,695,500       | 29,695,500                        | 100.0   |
| 2. Cities 100,000 to 250,000..... | 57                              | 57                    | 100.0   | 7,850,312        | 7,850,312                         | 100.0   |
| 3. Cities 50,000 to 100,000.....  | 104                             | 96                    | 94.2    | 6,980,407        | 6,576,274                         | 94.2    |
| 4. Cities 25,000 to 50,000.....   | 191                             | 173                   | 90.1    | 6,638,544        | 5,981,556                         | 90.1    |
| 5. Cities 10,000 to 25,000.....   | 594                             | 516                   | 86.9    | 9,116,925        | 7,971,224                         | 87.4    |

**NOTE.**—The above table does not include 1,462 cities and rural townships aggregating a total population of 7,422,100. The cities included in this figure are those of less than 10,000 population filing returns, whereas the rural townships are of varying population groups.

The growth in the crime reporting area is evidenced by the following figures for the first 3 months of 1932–38:

| Year      | Number of cities | Population | Year      | Number of cities | Population |
|-----------|------------------|------------|-----------|------------------|------------|
| 1932..... | 1,476            | 49,368,231 | 1936..... | 2,111            | 63,766,619 |
| 1933..... | 1,561            | 53,295,629 | 1937..... | 2,160            | 64,196,843 |
| 1934..... | 1,593            | 61,715,079 | 1938..... | 2,342            | 65,497,026 |
| 1935..... | 1,833            | 62,304,616 |           |                  |            |

The foregoing comparison shows that during the first 3 months of 1938 there was an increase of 176 cities as compared with the corresponding period of 1937, the population represented by those cities being 1,300,183.

In addition to the 2,342 city and village police departments which submitted crime reports during the first 3 months of 1938, one or more reports were received during that period from 1,210 sheriffs and State police units and from 8 agencies in territories and possessions of the United States. This makes a grand total of 3,560 agencies contributing crime reports during 1938.



## MONTHLY RETURNS

### *Offenses Known to the Police—Cities Divided According to Population.*

There is presented in table 1 the number of offenses reported as committed during the first 3 months of 1938 by the police departments of 1,885 cities with an aggregate population of 61,392,571. The data are also presented in the form of crime rates for cities divided according to size in order that interested persons may readily compare the crime rates of their communities with the average figures for cities of approximately the same size.

It is observed that, in line with similar compilations published in prior years, there is a tendency for larger cities to report higher crime rates than the smaller communities.

More than one-half (53.9 percent) of the crimes committed were larcenies and nearly one-fourth (24.5 percent) constituted offenses of burglary. The amount of each type of crime is indicated in the following percentage distribution:

| Offense         | Rate per 100,000 | Percent | Offense                 | Rate per 100,000 | Percent |
|-----------------|------------------|---------|-------------------------|------------------|---------|
| Total.....      | 378.2            | 100.0   | Robbery.....            | 17.9             | 4.7     |
| Larceny.....    | 203.8            | 53.9    | Aggravated assault..... | 10.2             | 2.7     |
| Burglary.....   | 92.8             | 24.5    | Rape.....               | 2.0              | .5      |
| Auto theft..... | 49.0             | 13.0    | Murder.....             | 1.3              | .4      |
|                 |                  |         | Manslaughter.....       | 1.2              | .3      |

More detailed information concerning the nature of the criminal act, time and place of commission, and value of property stolen may be found in tables 5-7.

Most of the police departments forwarding crime reports to the FBI divided offenses of larceny into two groups, those in which the value of the property stolen was \$50 or more, and those in which the value was less than \$50. There is presented below a separate compilation of that information as reported by 86 police departments of cities with more than 100,000 inhabitants:

| Population group                                      | Larceny— <i>theft</i>  |                     | Population group  | Larceny— <i>theft</i>  |                     |
|---|------------------------|---------------------|---|------------------------|---------------------|
|   | \$50 and over in value | Under \$50 in value |   | \$50 and over in value | Under \$50 in value |
| 31 cities over 250,000; total population, 19,643,700: |                        |                     | 55 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; total population, 7,586,612: |                        |                     |
| Number of offenses known.....                         | 5,730                  | 37,304              | Number of offenses known.....                               | 1,657                  | 15,207              |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                 | 29.2                   | 189.9               | Rate per 100,000.....                                       | 22.2                   | 213.6               |

There were 60,928 larcenies classified according to the value of the property involved, and the preceding figures reveal that 7,417 (12.2 percent) were cases in which the value of the property exceeded \$50.

TABLE 1.—Offenses known to the police, January to March, inclusive, 1938; number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Population group  | Criminal homicide                 |                            | Rape  | Robbery | Aggravated assault | Burglary—breaking or entering | Larceny—<br>theft    | Auto theft          |
|---|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|-------|---------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
|   | Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter | Manslaughter by negligence |       |         |                    |                               |                      |                     |
| GROUP I   |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                      |                     |
| 36 cities over 250,000; total population, 29,375,600:       |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                      |                     |
| Number of offenses known.....                               | 392                               | <sup>1</sup> 424           | 753   | 7,207   | 3,068              | <sup>2</sup> 22,635           | <sup>3</sup> 48,892  | <sup>4</sup> 13,434 |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                       | 1.3                               | 1.5                        | 2.6   | 24.5    | 10.4               | 101.9                         | 220.0                | 60.5                |
| GROUP II  |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                      |                     |
| 57 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; total population, 7,850,312: |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                      |                     |
| Number of offenses known.....                               | 144                               | <sup>2</sup> 99            | 103   | 1,322   | <sup>1</sup> 1,000 | 8,564                         | 18,474               | 4,388               |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                       | 1.8                               | 1.3                        | 1.3   | 16.8    | 12.9               | 109.1                         | 235.3                | 55.9                |
| GROUP III   |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                      |                     |
| 89 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; total population, 6,025,944:  |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                      |                     |
| Number of offenses known.....                               | 90                                | 57                         | 96    | 948     | 745                | 6,124                         | 13,662               | 2,943               |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                       | 1.5                               | 0.9                        | 1.6   | 15.7    | 12.4               | 101.6                         | 226.7                | 48.8                |
| GROUP IV  |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                      |                     |
| 154 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; total population, 5,348,039:  |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                      |                     |
| Number of offenses known.....                               | 53                                | 42                         | 62    | 547     | 400                | 4,861                         | 11,340               | 2,352               |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                       | 1.0                               | 0.8                        | 1.2   | 10.2    | 9.2                | 90.9                          | 212.0                | 44.0                |
| GROUP V   |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                      |                     |
| 454 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; total population, 7,041,694:  |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                      |                     |
| Number of offenses known.....                               | 72                                | 29                         | 114   | 571     | 554                | 4,673                         | 11,538               | 2,139               |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                       | 1.0                               | 0.4                        | 1.6   | 8.1     | 7.9                | 66.4                          | 163.9                | 30.4                |
| GROUP VI  |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                      |                     |
| 1,095 cities under 10,000; total population, 5,750,982:     |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                      |                     |
| Number of offenses known.....                               | 72                                | 39                         | 116   | 397     | 402                | 3,462                         | 6,657                | 1,330               |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                       | 1.3                               | 0.7                        | 2.0   | 6.9     | 7.0                | 60.2                          | 115.8                | 23.1                |
| Total 1,885 cities; total population, 61,392,571:           |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                      |                     |
| Number of offenses known.....                               | 823                               | <sup>4</sup> 660           | 1,244 | 10,992  | <sup>5</sup> 6,259 | <sup>6</sup> 50,319           | <sup>6</sup> 110,563 | <sup>6</sup> 26,586 |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                       | 1.3                               | 1.2                        | 2.0   | 17.9    | 10.2               | 92.8                          | 203.8                | 49.0                |

<sup>1</sup> The number of offenses and rate for manslaughter by negligence are based on reports of 34 cities with a total population of 27,647,400.<sup>2</sup> The number of offenses and rate for burglary, larceny, and auto theft are based on reports of 35 cities with a total population of 22,221,300.<sup>3</sup> The number of offenses and rate for manslaughter by negligence and aggravated assault are based on reports of 56 cities with a total population of 7,726,512.<sup>4</sup> The number of offenses and rate for manslaughter by negligence are based on reports of 1,882 cities with a total population of 59,540,871.<sup>5</sup> The number of offenses and rate for aggravated assault are based on reports of 1,584 cities with a total population of 61,269,971.<sup>6</sup> The number of offenses and rate for burglary, larceny, and auto theft are based on reports of 1,884 cities with a total population of 54,238,271.

### Annual Trends, Offenses Known to the Police, 1931-38.

Annual variations in the number of crimes committed during the first quarters of the years 1931-38 are presented in table 2. The data are based on reports received from 68 cities representing a total population of 19,063,102. Robbery, burglary, and larceny offenses disclose an increase as compared with 1937. Auto theft was the only offense against property which reflects a decrease in 1938.

The data shown in table 2 are also presented in figure 1.

TABLE 2.—Annual trends, offenses known to the police, 68 cities over 100,000 in population, January to March, inclusive, 1931-38

[Total population, 19,063,102, as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Year                      | Criminal homicide                                 |  | Rape | Rob-<br>bery | Aggra-<br>vated<br>assault | Bur-<br>glary—<br>break-<br>ing or<br>enter-<br>ing | Lar-<br>ceny—<br>theft | Auto<br>theft |
|---------------------------|---|--|------|--------------|----------------------------|---|------------------------|---------------|
|                           | Murder,<br>nonneg-<br>ligent<br>man-<br>slaughter | Man-<br>slaugh-<br>ter by<br>negli-<br>gence |      |              |                            |   |                        |               |
| Number of offenses known: |   |  |      |              |                            |   |                        |               |
| 1931                      | 357   | 352  | 276  | 5,694        | 2,213                      | 17,520  | 26,612                 | 21,560        |
| 1932                      | 363   | 303  | 286  | 5,234        | 1,933                      | 19,213  | 26,556                 | 18,492        |
| 1933                      | 390   | 229  | 305  | 5,168        | 2,278                      | 19,093  | 28,711                 | 16,993        |
| 1934                      | 315   | 315  | 301  | 3,946        | 2,146                      | 18,671  | 30,724                 | 14,077        |
| 1935                      | 343   | 226  | 336  | 3,657        | 2,145                      | 18,571  | 40,663                 | 14,474        |
| 1936                      | 295   | 181  | 311  | 3,138        | 2,182                      | 18,097  | 35,963                 | 11,471        |
| 1937                      | 321   | 287  | 403  | 3,580        | 2,257                      | 17,224  | 42,117                 | 12,671        |
| 1938                      | 300   | 196  | 402  | 3,965        | 2,070                      | 18,551  | 45,169                 | 11,061        |
| Daily average:            |   |  |      |              |                            |   |                        |               |
| 1931                      | 4.0   | 3.9  | 3.1  | 63.3         | 24.6                       | 194.7   | 406.8                  | 230.0         |
| 1932                      | 4.0   | 3.3  | 3.1  | 57.5         | 21.5                       | 211.1   | 401.7                  | 203.2         |
| 1933                      | 4.2   | 2.5  | 3.4  | 57.4         | 25.3                       | 212.1   | 430.1                  | 188.8         |
| 1934                      | 3.5   | 3.5  | 3.3  | 43.8         | 23.8                       | 207.6   | 441.4                  | 150.4         |
| 1935                      | 3.8   | 2.5  | 3.7  | 40.6         | 23.8                       | 206.3   | 432.6                  | 160.8         |
| 1936                      | 3.2   | 2.0  | 3.4  | 34.5         | 24.0                       | 176.9   | 406.2                  | 126.1         |
| 1937                      | 3.6   | 3.2  | 4.5  | 39.8         | 25.1                       | 191.4   | 468.0                  | 140.8         |
| 1938                      | 3.3   | 2.2  | 4.5  | 44.1         | 23.0                       | 206.1   | 501.9                  | 122.9         |

# ANNUAL CRIME TRENDS

OFFENSES KNOWN TO THE POLICE  
46 CITIES - TOTAL POPULATION 19,063,402  
JANUARY 1 TO MARCH 31, 1931-1930

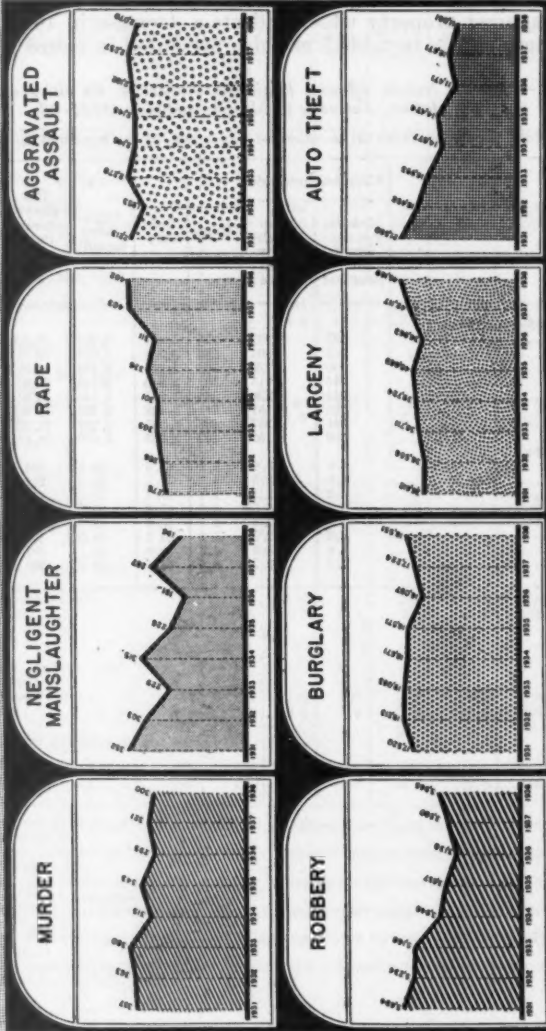


FIGURE 1.

**Data for Individual Cities With More than 100,000 Inhabitants.**

The number of offenses reported as having been committed during the first quarter of 1938 is shown in table 3. The compilation has been limited to the reports received from police departments in cities with more than 100,000 inhabitants. Such data are included here in order that interested individuals and organizations may have readily available up-to-date information concerning the amount of crime committed in their communities. Police administrators and other interested individuals will probably find it desirable to compare the crime rates of their cities with the average rates shown in table 1 of this publication. Similarly, they will doubtless desire to make comparisons with the figures for their communities for prior periods, in order to determine whether there has been an increase or a decrease in the amount of crime committed.

With reference to the possibility of comparing the amount of crime in one city with the amount of reported crime in other individual communities, it is suggested that such comparisons be made with a great deal of caution, because differences in the figures may be due to a great variety of factors. The amount of crime committed in a community is not chargeable to the police but is rather a charge against the entire community. The following is a list of some of the factors which might affect the amount of crime in a community: The composition of the population with reference particularly to age, sex, and race; the economic status and activities of the population; climate; educational, recreational, and religious facilities; the number of police employees per unit of population; the standards governing appointments to the police force; the policies of the prosecuting officials and the courts; the attitude of the public toward law enforcement problems. Comparisons between the crime rates of individual cities should not be made without giving consideration to the above-mentioned factors. It should be noted that it is more important to determine whether the figures for a given community show increases or decreases in the amount of crime committed than to ascertain whether the figures are above or below those of some other community.

In examining a compilation of crime figures for individual communities it should be borne in mind that in view of the fact that the data are compiled by different record departments operating under separate and distinct administrative systems, it is entirely possible that there may be variations in the practices employed in classifying complaints of offenses. On the other hand, the crime reporting manual has been distributed to all contributors of crime reports and the figures received are included in this bulletin only if they apparently have been compiled in accordance with the provisions of the manual, and the individual department has so indicated.

TABLE 3.—Number of offenses known to the police, January to March, inclusive, 1938, cities over 100,000 in population

| City                          | Murder,<br>nonnegligent<br>manslaughter | Robbery | Aggra-<br>vated<br>assault | Bur-<br>glary—<br>breaking<br>or enter-<br>ing | Larceny—thrift   |                  | Auto<br>theft |
|-------------------------------|---|---------|----------------------------|--|------------------|------------------|---------------|
|                               |   |         |                            |  | \$50 and<br>over | Under<br>\$50    |               |
| Akron, Ohio                   | 2                                       | 49      | 31                         | 323  | 53               | 302              | 142           |
| Albany, N. Y.                 | 7                                       | 10      | 36                         | 18   | 129              | 45               |               |
| Atlanta, Ga.                  | 18                                      | 151     | 91                         | 780  | 191              | 1,265            | 355           |
| Baltimore, Md.                | 14                                      | 223     | 170                        | 768  | 225              | 875              | 626           |
| Birmingham, Ala.              | 28                                      | 51      | 22                         | 428  | 101              | 364              | 152           |
| Boston, Mass.                 | 127                                     | 33      | 272                        | 190  | 668              | 746              |               |
| Bridgeport, Conn.             | 6                                       |         | 177                        | 30   | 177              | 86               |               |
| Buffalo, N. Y.                | 2                                       | 42      | 50                         | 239  | 107              | 426              | 169           |
| Cambridge, Mass.              | 13                                      | 11      | 1                          | 111  | 16               | 153              | 97            |
| Camden, N. J.                 | 2                                       | 32      | 8                          | 10   | 47               | 60               | 17            |
| Canton, Ohio                  | 1                                       | 35      | ( <sup>1</sup> )           | 130  | ( <sup>1</sup> ) | 214              | 29            |
| Chattanooga, Tenn.            | 10                                      | 35      | ( <sup>1</sup> )           | 156  | 9                | 318              | 60            |
| Chicago, Ill.                 | 51                                      | 2,222   | 310                        | 3,649  | 844              | 2,680            | 731           |
| Cincinnati, Ohio              | 10                                      | 156     | 66                         | 711  | 211              | 1,487            | 207           |
| Cleveland, Ohio               | 18                                      | 464     | 31                         | 694  | 65               | 2,882            | 475           |
| Columbus, Ohio                | 4                                       | 135     | 15                         | 716  | 169              | 856              | 227           |
| Dallas, Tex.                  | 13                                      | 38      | 51                         | 419  | 42               | 1,996            | 150           |
| Dayton, Ohio                  | 5                                       | 46      | 188                        | 198  | 19               | 673              | 151           |
| Denver, Colo.                 | 2                                       | 70      | 10                         | 266  | 76               | 453              | 131           |
| Des Moines, Iowa              | 12                                      | 7       | 7                          | 92   | 36               | 320              | 98            |
| Detroit, Mich.                | 13                                      | 418     | 168                        | 1,614  | 218              | 5,116            | 725           |
| Duluth, Minn.                 | 12                                      |         |                            | 28   | 23               | 290              | 45            |
| Elizabeth, N. J.              | 3                                       | 12      | 3                          | 85   | 23               | 170              | 45            |
| El Paso, Tex.                 | 31                                      | 12      | 213                        | 23   | 466              | 64               |               |
| Erie, Pa.                     | 15                                      | 7       | 78                         | 13   | 60               | 69               |               |
| Evansville, Ind.              | 5                                       | 9       | 106                        | 3  | 77               | 139              |               |
| Fall River, Mass.             | 1                                       | 5       | 169                        | 6  | 24               | 27               |               |
| Flint, Mich.                  | 55                                      | 32      | 171                        | 45   | 536              | 112              |               |
| Fort Wayne, Ind.              | 12                                      | 3       | 109                        | 19   | 417              | 126              |               |
| Fort Worth, Tex.              | 14                                      | 25      | 5                          | 240  | 19               | 800              | 77            |
| Gary, Ind.                    | 4                                       | 27      | 33                         | 68   | 10               | 118              | 33            |
| Grand Rapids, Mich.           | 2                                       | 2       | 4                          | 177  | 16               | 422              | 76            |
| Hartford, Conn.               | 1                                       | 2       | 9                          | 257  | 39               | 392              | 104           |
| Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii | 3                                       | 12      | 5                          | 215  | 27               | 386              | 54            |
| Houston, Tex.                 | 13                                      | 69      | 44                         | 554  | 78               | 1,685            | 317           |
| Indianapolis, Ind.            | 7                                       | 174     | 97                         | 635  | 455              | 929              | 313           |
| Jacksonville, Fla.            | 5                                       | 35      | 43                         | 246  | 172              | 727              | 124           |
| Kansas City, Kans.            | 5                                       | 37      | 13                         | 167  | 20               | 222              | 27            |
| Kansas City, Mo.              | 8                                       | 176     | 19                         | 341  | ( <sup>1</sup> ) | 590              | 139           |
| Knoxville, Tenn.              | 2                                       | 18      | 5                          | 107  | 37               | 208              | 61            |
| Long Beach, Calif.            | 33                                      | 9       | 9                          | 315  | 56               | 611              | 162           |
| Los Angeles, Calif.           | 13                                      | 468     | 116                        | 2,318  | 1,114            | 3,992            | 2,246         |
| Louisville, Ky.               | 10                                      | 123     | 69                         | 833  | 229              | 746              | 242           |
| Lowell, Mass.                 | 1                                       | 2       | 88                         | 7  | 74               | 25               |               |
| Lynn, Mass.                   | 12                                      | 1       | 106                        | 20   | 195              | 38               |               |
| Memphis, Tenn.                | 12                                      | 105     | 195                        | 352  | 33               | 356              | 94            |
| Miami, Fla.                   | 8                                       | 100     | 222                        | 287  | 144              | 570              | 117           |
| Milwaukee, Wis.               | 10                                      | 11      | 147                        | 50   | 945              | 138              |               |
| Minneapolis, Minn.            | 1                                       | 74      | 22                         | 408  | 137              | 708              | 335           |
| Nashville, Tenn.              | 15                                      | 42      | 76                         | 154  | ( <sup>1</sup> ) | 363              | 230           |
| Newark, N. J.                 | 1                                       | 91      | 113                        | 278  | 118              | 973              | 371           |
| New Bedford, Mass.            | 1                                       | 13      | 3                          | 153  | 19               | 239              | 37            |
| New Haven, Conn.              | 1                                       | 10      | 4                          | 233  | 36               | 233              | 77            |
| New Orleans, La.              | 21                                      | 28      | 80                         | 175  | 60               | 193              | 165           |
| New York, N. Y.               | 66                                      | 347     | 682                        | 891  | ( <sup>1</sup> ) | ( <sup>1</sup> ) | 1,603         |
| Norfolk, Va.                  | 9                                       | 52      | 35                         | 236  | 19               | 399              | 179           |
| Oakland, Calif.               | 1                                       | 81      | 24                         | 530  | 67               | 969              | 183           |
| Oklahoma City, Okla.          | 9                                       | 69      | 52                         | 288  | 16               | 804              | 71            |
| Omaha, Nebr.                  | 2                                       | 14      | 13                         | 38   | 12               | 131              | 84            |
| Paterson, N. J.               | 3                                       | 16      | 8                          | 165  | 21               | 49               | 28            |
| Peoria, Ill.                  | 26                                      | 6       | 9                          | 22   | 3                | 21               | 54            |
| Philadelphia, Pa.             | 26                                      | 274     | 171                        | 556  | 195              | 556              | 836           |
| Pittsburgh, Pa.               | 6                                       | 196     | 55                         | 549  | 131              | 351              | 558           |
| Portland, Oreg.               | 2                                       | 73      | 17                         | 668  | 226              | 1,358            | 243           |
| Providence, R. I.             | 11                                      | 7       | 121                        | 23   | 133              | 74               |               |
| Reading, Pa.                  | 5                                       | 12      | 107                        | 23   | 168              | 30               |               |
| Richmond, Va.                 | 6                                       | 68      | 96                         | 393  | 108              | 1,041            | 170           |
| Rochester, N. Y.              | 1                                       | 15      | 8                          | 150  | 30               | 319              | 83            |
| St. Louis, Mo.                | 10                                      | 188     | 37                         | 444  | ( <sup>1</sup> ) | 2,683            | 366           |
| St. Paul, Minn.               | 37                                      | 5       | 206                        | 44   | 293              | 124              |               |
| Salt Lake City, Utah          | 3                                       | 15      | 5                          | 169  | 10               | 328              | 124           |
| San Antonio, Tex.             | 9                                       | 70      | 52                         | 424  | 63               | 445              | 152           |
| San Diego, Calif.             | 4                                       | 26      | 3                          | 147  | 16               | 241              | 101           |
| San Francisco, Calif.         | 3                                       | 157     | 90                         | 722  | ( <sup>1</sup> ) | 2,103            | 846           |
| Scranton, Pa.                 | 1                                       | 9       | 14                         | 106  | 16               | 140              | 75            |

<sup>1</sup> Larcenies not separately reported. Figure listed includes both major and minor larcenies.<sup>2</sup> Not reported.



TABLE 3.—Number of offenses known to the police, January to March, inclusive, 1938, cities over 100,000 in population—Continued

| City               | Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter | Robbery | Aggravated assault | Burglary—breaking or entering | Larceny—thrift |            | Auto theft |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------|---------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|------------|------------|
|                    |                                   |         |                    |                               | \$50 and over  | Under \$50 |            |
| Seattle, Wash.     | 5                                 | 60      | 21                 | 803                           | 73             | 910        | 349        |
| Somerville, Mass.  | 6                                 | 26      | 1                  | 23                            | 13             | 36         | 35         |
| South Bend, Ind.   | 26                                | 1       | 1                  | 97                            | 16             | 86         | 45         |
| Spokane, Wash.     | 19                                | 18      | 237                | 91                            | 446            | 40         | 40         |
| Springfield, Mass. | 4                                 | 3       | 93                 | 17                            | 202            | 71         | 71         |
| Syracuse, N. Y.    | 10                                | 1       | 136                | 19                            | 187            | 108        | 108        |
| Tacoma, Wash.      | 8                                 | 11      | 23                 | 83                            | 12             | 243        | 54         |
| Tampa, Fla.        | 2                                 | 107     | 20                 | 85                            | 40             | 212        | 30         |
| Toledo, Ohio       | 2                                 | 10      | 19                 | 322                           | 97             | 1,000      | 271        |
| Trenton, N. J.     | 4                                 | 6       | 1                  | 160                           | 28             | 231        | 30         |
| Tulsa, Okla.       | 12                                | 84      | 35                 | 367                           | 57             | 604        | 78         |
| Utica, N. Y.       | 6                                 | 6       | 1                  | 51                            | 23             | 156        | 33         |
| Washington, D. C.  | 107                               | 90      | 284                | 209                           | 1,840          | 441        | 441        |
| Waterbury, Conn.   | 5                                 | 4       | 5                  | 61                            | 12             | 74         | 45         |
| Wichita, Kans.     | 1                                 | 5       | 16                 | 119                           | 15             | 382        | 20         |
| Wilmington, Del.   | 3                                 | 10      | 23                 | 137                           | 34             | 302        | 49         |
| Worcester, Mass.   | 3                                 | 1       | 7                  | 183                           | 35             | 18         | 140        |
| Yonkers, N. Y.     | 2                                 | 60      | 13                 | 228                           | 19             | 319        | 103        |
| Youngstown, Ohio   | 2                                 | 60      | 13                 | 228                           | 19             | 319        | 103        |

**Offenses Known in Territories and Possessions of the United States.**

In table 4 available data are shown concerning the number of offenses known to law-enforcement agencies in Territories and possessions of the United States for the first 3 months of 1938.

The table includes reports from Honolulu County, Territory of Hawaii, the Canal Zone, and Puerto Rico. The figures are based on both urban and rural areas and the population figures from the 1930 decennial census are indicated in the table.

Offense data for the city of Honolulu are shown in table 3.

TABLE 4.—Number of offenses known in United States Territories and possessions, January to March, inclusive, 1938

[Population figures from Federal census, Apr. 1, 1930]

| Jurisdiction reporting   | Criminal homicide                 |                             | Rape | Robbery | Aggravated assault | Burglary—breaking or entering | Larceny—thrift |            | Auto theft |
|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|------|---------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|------------|------------|
|  | Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter | Man-slaughter by negligence |      |         |                    |                               | Over \$50      | Under \$50 |            |
| Hawaii: Honolulu County, population, 65,341; number of offenses known.....       |                                   |                             |      | 1       | 2                  | 38                            | 4              | 67         | 10         |
| Isthmus of Panama: Canal Zone, population, 39,367; number of offenses known..... |                                   | 1                           |      | 1       |                    | 21                            | 5              | 78         | 7          |
| Puerto Rico: Population, 1,543,913; number of offenses known.....                | 63                                | 33                          | 22   | 8       | 406                | 258                           | 21             | 848        | 13         |

**Data From Supplementary Offense Reports.**

In tables 5-7 there are presented the more detailed data compiled from supplementary offense reports received from the police departments of 36 cities with an aggregate population of 13,373,841. The period covered is the first quarter of 1938.

Table 5 reveals that nearly one-half of the rapes reported were forcible in nature. Of the 4,174 robberies reported, 2,220 (53.2 percent) were committed on city highways, and 1,703 (40.8 percent) were robberies of commercial establishments.

The 36 police departments represented in the tabulation reported 14,375 burglaries, almost one-half of which were committed in dwelling houses. With reference to the time of day the burglaries were perpetrated, it is shown that 77 percent were committed during the night, and 23 percent during the daytime. With reference to residences, however, the proportion of daytime burglaries was larger, amounting to 37 percent.

The figures for larceny disclose that 13.5 percent were cases in which the property stolen exceeded \$50 in value. In 64.4 percent of the cases the value of the property stolen was from \$5 to \$50, and was less than \$5 in the remaining 22.1 percent of the larcenies. The tabulation also reflects that 1.1 percent of the thefts were cases of pocket-picking and that 3.9 percent were instances of purse-snatching.

TABLE 5.—*Number of known offenses with divisions as to the nature of the criminal act, time and place of commission, and value of property stolen, January to March, inclusive, 1938; 36 cities over 100,000 in population*

[Total population, 13,373,841, as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Classification                          | Number of actual offenses | Classification   | Number of actual offenses |
|---|---------------------------|--|---------------------------|
| Rape:                                   |                           | Larceny— <i>theft</i> (except auto theft), (grouped according to value of article stolen): |                           |
| Forcible.....                           | 128                       | Over \$50.....   | 3,760                     |
| Statutory.....                          | 164                       | \$5 to \$50.....   | 17,947                    |
| Total.....                              | 292                       | Under \$5.....   | 6,167                     |
| Robbery:                                |                           | Total.....   | 27,874                    |
| Highway.....                            | 2,220                     | Larceny— <i>theft</i> (grouped as to type of offense):                                     |                           |
| Commercial house.....                   | 1,218                     | Pocket-picking.....  | 314                       |
| Oil station.....                        | 308                       | Purse-snatching.....   | 1,089                     |
| Chain store.....                        | 83                        | All other.....   | 26,471                    |
| Residence.....                          | 101                       | Total.....   | 27,874                    |
| Bank.....                               | 4                         |  |                           |
| Miscellaneous.....                      | 150                       |  |                           |
| Total.....                              | 4,174                     |  |                           |
| Burglary— <i>breaking or entering</i> : |                           |  |                           |
| Residence (dwelling):                   |                           |  |                           |
| Committed during night.....             | 4,252                     |  |                           |
| Committed during day.....               | 2,465                     |  |                           |
| All other (store, office, etc.):        |                           |  |                           |
| Committed during night.....             | 6,875                     |  |                           |
| Committed during day.....               | 783                       |  |                           |
| Total.....                              | 14,375                    |  |                           |

The figures presented in table 6 show that the police departments of the 36 cities represented reported 7,428 automobiles stolen during the first quarter of 1938, of which 7,077 were recovered. The percentage of recoveries of stolen automobiles amounts to 95.3.



TABLE 6.—*Recoveries of stolen automobiles, January to March, inclusive, 1938; 36 cities over 100,000 in population*

[Total population, 13,373,841, as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

|                                      |       |
|--------------------------------------|-------|
| Number of automobiles stolen.....    | 7,428 |
| Number of automobiles recovered..... | 7,077 |
| Percentage recovered.....            | 95.3  |

The value of property stolen and the value of property recovered are shown in table 7, as reported by 36 police departments. The total value of property stolen was \$5,541,558.50. Property recovered was valued at \$3,507,458.22 (63.3 percent). Automobiles constitute more than one-half of the property represented in table 7. Exclusive of automobiles, the value of property stolen was \$2,248,885, and the value of recoveries was \$412,273.22 (18 percent).

TABLE 7.—*Value of property stolen and value of property recovered with divisions as to type of property involved, January to March, inclusive, 1938; 36 cities over 100,000 in population*

[Total population, 13,373,841, as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Type of property                 | Value of property stolen | Value of property recovered | Percent recovered |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| Currency, notes, etc.....        | \$309,690.48             | \$74,994.82                 | 14.7              |
| Jewelry and precious metals..... | 456,222.45               | 77,154.89                   | 16.9              |
| Furs.....                        | 180,655.75               | 9,629.18                    | 7.4               |
| Clothing.....                    | 336,015.64               | 58,248.00                   | 17.3              |
| Locally stolen automobiles.....  | 3,292,673.50             | 3,095,185.00                | 94.0              |
| Miscellaneous.....               | 816,291.08               | 192,308.73                  | 23.6              |
| Total.....                       | 5,541,558.50             | 3,507,458.22                | 63.3              |

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**ANNUAL RETURNS, 1937**

Under the system of uniform crime reporting provision is made for annual reports which provide data for the compilation of information concerning the number of offenses disposed of by arrest and the number of persons taken into custody by the police. Comprehensive data for 1937 based on monthly crime reports were published in volume VIII, No. 4, of this publication. The following tabulations present information based on the annual reports for the calendar year 1937.

***Offenses Known and Offenses Cleared by Arrest, 1937.***

In table 8 information is presented concerning the number of actual offenses known to have been committed and the number cleared by arrest during 1937. The figures are also presented for the cities divided into six groups according to size.

The number of offenses listed as cleared by arrest indicates the number of crimes for each of which at least one of the offenders has been apprehended and made available for prosecution. In addition, the figures include cases cleared through exceptional circumstances, such as the suicide of the offender, the incarceration of the offender for another offense, etc.

The figures also include offenses cleared by arrest during 1937 which were committed during some prior year. The relationship between the number of offenses committed, the number of crimes disposed of by arrest and the number of persons held for prosecution is shown in table 9. The data in table 9 should be interpreted as follows:

With reference to group I, 81 of each 100 murders committed were cleared by the arrest of 85 persons who were made available for prosecution.

Relative to the figures showing the percentage of offenses disposed of by arrest, it may be pertinent to note that there are instances in which the police clear the crimes by arresting the guilty individuals, but they are unable to take credit for such clearances in their statistical reports due to the fact that it is not possible for them to produce proof that the individuals arrested were responsible for the crimes and because the persons arrested did not confess thereto, even though they had been convicted of one or more other violations. This factor would tend to cause the figures relative to offenses disposed of by arrest to be conservative.

Portions of the data in table 9 are presented in figure 2.

TABLE 8.—*Offenses known, offenses cleared by arrest, and percentage of offenses cleared by arrest, 1937, by population groups*

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Population group  | Criminal homicide                 |                             | Rape  | Robbery | Aggravated assault | Burglary—breaking or entering | Larceny—<br>theft | Auto theft |
|---|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------|---------|--------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|------------|
|   | Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter | Man-slaughter by negligence |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| GROUP I   |                                   |                             |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| 26 cities over 250,000; total population, 17,544,100:       |                                   |                             |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                               | 1,283                             | 857                         | 1,697 | 17,612  | 7,480              | 56,935                        | 142,294           | 39,493     |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                               | 1,044                             | 710                         | 1,311 | 7,508   | 5,263              | 21,830                        | 34,939            | 7,022      |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                           | 81.4                              | 82.8                        | 77.3  | 42.6    | 70.4               | 38.3                          | 24.6              | 17.8       |
| GROUP II  |                                   |                             |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| 35 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; total population, 5,093,341: |                                   |                             |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                               | 241                               | 358                         | 361   | 2,179   | 2,386              | 17,552                        | 43,347            | 11,887     |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                               | 227                               | 299                         | 316   | 747     | 1,767              | 8,281                         | 11,834            | 2,357      |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                           | 94.2                              | 83.5                        | 87.5  | 34.3    | 74.1               | 30.1                          | 27.3              | 19.8       |
| GROUP III   |                                   |                             |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| 58 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; total population, 4,006,168:  |                                   |                             |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                               | 273                               | 164                         | 283   | 1,830   | 1,578              | 14,148                        | 34,667            | 8,218      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                               | 252                               | 151                         | 245   | 669     | 1,264              | 4,008                         | 8,604             | 1,671      |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                           | 92.3                              | 92.1                        | 86.6  | 36.6    | 80.1               | 28.3                          | 24.8              | 20.3       |
| GROUP IV  |                                   |                             |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| 96 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; total population, 3,311,950:   |                                   |                             |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                               | 154                               | 112                         | 251   | 1,079   | 1,372              | 10,351                        | 28,401            | 6,437      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                               | 146                               | 111                         | 201   | 415     | 1,166              | 2,953                         | 8,144             | 1,388      |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                           | 94.8                              | 99.1                        | 80.0  | 38.5    | 85.0               | 28.5                          | 28.7              | 21.6       |
| GROUP V   |                                   |                             |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| 277 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; total population, 4,325,101:  |                                   |                             |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                               | 130                               | 139                         | 287   | 1,100   | 860                | 10,140                        | 28,260            | 6,400      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                               | 112                               | 120                         | 268   | 486     | 795                | 3,065                         | 7,907             | 1,844      |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                           | 86.2                              | 86.3                        | 93.4  | 43.8    | 92.4               | 30.2                          | 27.6              | 28.8       |
| GROUP VI  |                                   |                             |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| 604 cities under 10,000; total population, 3,273,522:       |                                   |                             |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                               | 108                               | 126                         | 202   | 794     | 708                | 6,633                         | 14,785            | 3,190      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                               | 95                                | 119                         | 177   | 318     | 612                | 2,305                         | 4,941             | 1,128      |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                           | 88.0                              | 94.4                        | 87.6  | 40.1    | 86.4               | 34.8                          | 33.5              | 35.4       |
| Total, 1,098 cities; total population, 37,554,182:          |                                   |                             |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                               | 2,189                             | 1,756                       | 3,081 | 24,003  | 14,384             | 115,759                       | 291,674           | 75,634     |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                               | 1,876                             | 1,520                       | 2,548 | 10,143  | 10,867             | 39,442                        | 76,259            | 15,410     |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                           | 85.7                              | 86.0                        | 82.7  | 41.2    | 75.5               | 34.1                          | 26.1              | 20.4       |

TABLE 9.—*Offenses known, offenses cleared by arrest, and persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, by population groups—number per 100 known offenses*

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Population group  | Criminal homicide                 |                            | Rape  | Robbery | Aggravated assault | Burglary—breaking or entering | Larceny—<br>theft | Auto theft |
|---|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|-------|---------|--------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|------------|
|   | Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter | Manslaughter by negligence |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| GROUP I   |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| 26 cities over 250,000; total population, 17,544,100:       |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Offenses known.....   | 100.0                             | 100.0                      | 100.0 | 100.0   | 100.0              | 100.0                         | 100.0             | 100.0      |
| Offenses cleared by arrest.....                             | 81.4                              | 82.8                       | 77.3  | 42.6    | 70.4               | 38.3                          | 24.6              | 17.8       |
| Persons charged.....  | 85.2                              | 124.3                      | 75.5  | 32.3    | 71.0               | 24.6                          | 20.7              | 14.5       |
| GROUP II  |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| 35 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; total population, 5,093,341: |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Offenses known.....   | 100.0                             | 100.0                      | 100.0 | 100.0   | 100.0              | 100.0                         | 100.0             | 100.0      |
| Offenses cleared by arrest.....                             | 94.2                              | 83.5                       | 89.2  | 34.3    | 74.1               | 30.1                          | 27.3              | 19.8       |
| Persons charged.....  | 94.2                              | 97.8                       | 93.9  | 42.8    | 71.5               | 21.5                          | 26.3              | 14.1       |
| GROUP III   |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| 58 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; total population, 4,006,168:  |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Offenses known.....   | 100.0                             | 100.0                      | 100.0 | 100.0   | 100.0              | 100.0                         | 100.0             | 100.0      |
| Offenses cleared by arrest.....                             | 92.3                              | 92.1                       | 86.6  | 36.6    | 80.1               | 28.3                          | 24.8              | 20.3       |
| Persons charged.....  | 96.0                              | 101.8                      | 88.7  | 32.7    | 96.6               | 19.2                          | 20.4              | 13.3       |
| GROUP IV  |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| 96 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; total population, 3,311,950:   |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Offenses known.....   | 100.0                             | 100.0                      | 100.0 | 100.0   | 100.0              | 100.0                         | 100.0             | 100.0      |
| Offenses cleared by arrest.....                             | 94.8                              | 99.1                       | 92.0  | 38.5    | 85.0               | 28.5                          | 28.7              | 21.6       |
| Persons charged.....  | 95.5                              | 96.4                       | 91.6  | 44.6    | 91.5               | 24.1                          | 25.1              | 17.9       |
| GROUP V   |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| 277 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; total population, 4,325,101:  |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Offenses known.....   | 100.0                             | 100.0                      | 100.0 | 100.0   | 100.0              | 100.0                         | 100.0             | 100.0      |
| Offenses cleared by arrest.....                             | 86.2                              | 86.3                       | 93.4  | 43.8    | 92.4               | 30.2                          | 27.6              | 28.8       |
| Persons charged.....  | 72.3                              | 89.9                       | 98.6  | 50.7    | 92.1               | 24.7                          | 24.1              | 24.0       |
| GROUP VI  |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| 604 cities under 10,000; total population, 3,273,522:       |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Offenses known.....   | 100.0                             | 100.0                      | 100.0 | 100.0   | 100.0              | 100.0                         | 100.0             | 100.0      |
| Offenses cleared by arrest.....                             | 88.0                              | 94.4                       | 87.6  | 40.1    | 86.4               | 34.8                          | 33.5              | 35.4       |
| Persons charged.....  | 91.7                              | 97.6                       | 90.1  | 49.6    | 86.6               | 31.1                          | 29.7              | 31.1       |
| TOTAL, GROUP I-VI   |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| 1,066 cities; total population, 37,554,182:                 |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Offenses known.....   | 100.0                             | 100.0                      | 100.0 | 100.0   | 100.0              | 100.0                         | 100.0             | 100.0      |
| Offenses cleared by arrest.....                             | 85.7                              | 86.0                       | 82.7  | 41.2    | 75.5               | 34.1                          | 26.1              | 20.4       |
| Persons charged.....  | 87.8                              | 110.4                      | 82.8  | 35.2    | 77.9               | 23.8                          | 22.7              | 16.1       |

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# RELATION BETWEEN OFFENSES KNOWN, OFFENSES CLEARED, AND PERSONS CHARGED

JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31, 1937

BASED ON REPORTS OF 1046 CITIES - TOTAL POPULATION 27,554,185

\*FIELD FOR PROSECUTION

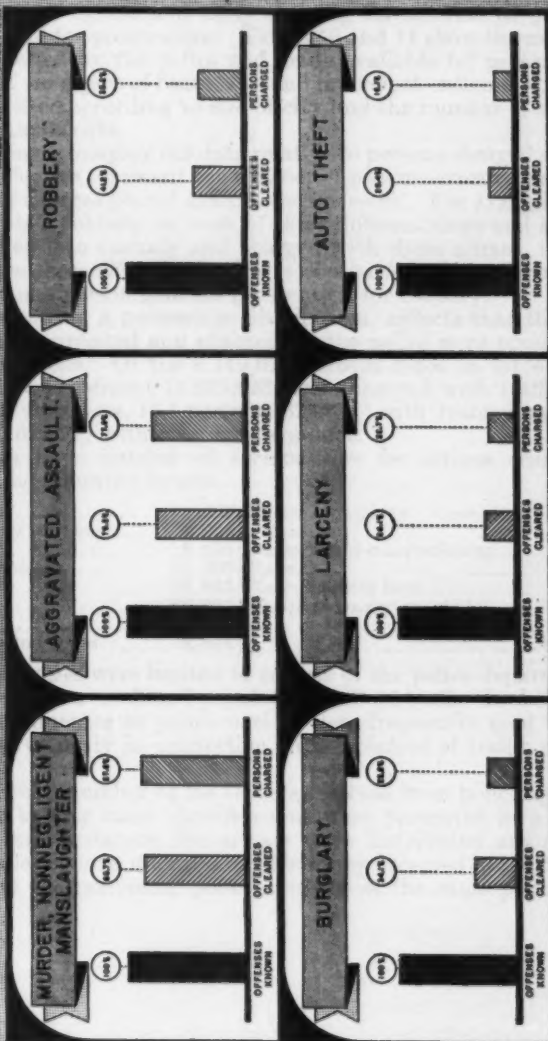


FIGURE 2



**Persons Charged (Held for Prosecution), 1937.**

The information contained in tables 8 and 9 was based on annual police reports for 1937. They deal with the number of offenses committed, the number disposed of by arrest of the offender and the relation between such figures and those showing the number of persons arrested and held for prosecution. Tables 10 and 11 show the number of persons arrested by the police and made available for prosecution for all types of violations of State laws and municipal ordinances. The data are presented according to size of city and the number of arrests per 100,000 inhabitants.

Those desiring to employ the data relative to persons charged should note that the figures represent the number of persons arrested and not the number of charges placed against such persons. For example, if a person commits a robbery on each of three different days and is subsequently taken into custody and charged with those crimes, the reports will show three offenses of robbery committed, three disposed of by arrest and one person held for prosecution for robbery.

Table 10, showing a percentage distribution, reflects that the majority of persons arrested and charged by the police were prosecuted for minor violations. Of the 4,149,622 persons listed in table 11, it was found that 64 percent (2,653,923) were charged with traffic and motor vehicle violations, 15.1 percent (625,691) with drunkenness and 3.9 percent (162,597) with disorderly conduct.

However, a large number of arrests were for serious crimes as reflected by the following figures:

|                                |         |   |          |
|--------------------------------|---------|---|----------|
| Murder.....                    | 1, 922  | Stolen property (receiving,<br>etc.)..... | 4, 113   |
| Manslaughter by negligence.... | 1, 938  | Forgery and counterfeiting....            | 4, 270   |
| Robbery.....                   | 8, 656  | Rape.....                                 | 2, 550   |
| Aggravated assault.....        | 11, 200 | Narcotic drug laws.....                   | 2, 700   |
| Burglary.....                  | 27, 632 | Weapons (carrying, etc.).....             | 6, 359   |
| Larceny.....                   | 66, 684 |   |          |
| Auto theft.....                | 12, 224 |   |          |
| Embezzlement and fraud.....    | 8, 618  | Total.....                                | 158, 866 |

The above figures were limited to reports of the police departments of 1,098 cities with a combined population of 37,554,182. It should be noted that summonses or police notices were frequently used in lieu of arrests, particularly in connection with violators of traffic regulations.

In a very small number of the reports received from police agencies the data for two or more classifications were presented in a single figure. In such instances the arrests were distributed among the several classifications in the ratio in which they occurred in the reports received from the remaining police agencies in the same population group.

TABLE 10.—Percentage distribution of persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937

[1,098 cities; total population, 37,554,182]

| Offense charged                                     | Percent | Offense charged                               | Percent |
|---|---------|---|---------|
| Criminal homicide:                                  |         | Prostitution and commercialized vice.....     | 1.11    |
| (a) Murder and nonnegligent manslaughter.....       | 0.05    | Other sex offenses.....                       | .25     |
| (b) Manslaughter by negligence.....                 | .05     | Narcotic drug laws.....                       | .07     |
| Robbery.....  | .21     | Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.....       | .15     |
| Aggravated assault.....                             | .27     | Offenses against the family and children..... | .53     |
| Other assaults.....                                 | 1.25    | Liquor laws.....                              | .33     |
| Burglary—breaking or entering.....                  | .67     | Driving while intoxicated.....                | 1.02    |
| Larceny—thrift.....                                 | 1.61    | Traffic and motor vehicle laws.....           | 63.95   |
| Auto theft.....                                     | .29     | Disorderly conduct.....                       | 3.91    |
| Embezzlement and fraud.....                         | .21     | Drunkenness.....                              | 15.07   |
| Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing..... | .10     | Vagrancy.....                                 | 1.98    |
| Forgery and counterfeiting.....                     | .10     | All other offenses.....                       | 5.24    |
| Rape.....   | .06     | Total.....                                    | 100.00  |

TABLE 11.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Offense charged                                 | Group I<br>29 cities over 250,000; population, 17,544,100 | Group II<br>35 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; population, 5,983,341 | Group III<br>58 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; population, 4,066,168 | Group IV<br>98 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; population, 3,311,950 | Group V<br>277 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; population, 4,325,101 | Group VI<br>604 cities under 10,000; population, 3,275,522 | Total, 1,098 cities; total population, 37,554,182 |
|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|---|
| Criminal homicide:                              |   |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| (a) Murder and nonnegligent manslaughter:       |   |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 1,093   | 227  | 262  | 147  | 94   | 99   | 1,922   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 6.2   | 4.5  | 6.5  | 4.4  | 2.2  | 3.0  | 5.1   |
| (b) Manslaughter by negligence:                 |   |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 1,065   | 350  | 167  | 108  | 125  | 123  | 1,938   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 6.1   | 6.9  | 4.2  | 3.3  | 2.9  | 3.8  | 5.2   |
| Robbery:  |   |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 5,688   | 962  | 599  | 481  | 562  | 394  | 8,656   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 32.4  | 18.3   | 15.6   | 14.5   | 13.0   | 12.0   | 23.0  |
| Aggravated assault:                             |   |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 5,311   | 1,705  | 1,524  | 1,255  | 792  | 613  | 11,200  |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 30.3  | 33.5   | 38.6   | 37.9   | 18.3   | 18.7   | 29.9  |
| Other assaults:                                 |   |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 23,671  | 8,804  | 5,417  | 6,139  | 4,909  | 2,985  | 51,925  |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 134.9   | 172.9  | 135.2  | 185.4  | 113.5  | 91.2   | 138.3   |
| Burglary—breaking or entering:                  |   |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 14,016  | 3,846  | 2,719  | 2,490  | 2,501  | 2,060  | 27,632  |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 79.9  | 75.5   | 67.9   | 75.2   | 57.8   | 62.9   | 73.6  |
| Larceny—thrift:                                 |   |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 29,460  | 11,838   | 7,056  | 7,134  | 6,818  | 4,378  | 66,684  |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 167.9   | 232.4  | 176.1  | 215.4  | 157.6  | 133.7  | 177.6   |
| Auto theft:                                     |   |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 5,732   | 1,720  | 1,090  | 1,153  | 1,536  | 993  | 12,234  |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 32.7  | 33.8   | 27.2   | 34.8   | 35.5   | 30.3   | 32.6  |
| Embezzlement and fraud:                         |   |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 4,861   | 1,156  | 753  | 749  | 660  | 439  | 8,618   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 27.7  | 22.7   | 18.8   | 22.6   | 15.3   | 13.4   | 22.9  |
| Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing: |   |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 1,956   | 694  | 393  | 408  | 340  | 322  | 4,113   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 11.1  | 13.6   | 9.8  | 12.3   | 7.9  | 9.8  | 11.0  |
| Forgery and counterfeiting:                     |   |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 1,536   | 714  | 458  | 576  | 490  | 496  | 4,270   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 8.8   | 14.0   | 11.4   | 17.4   | 11.3   | 15.2   | 11.4  |
| Rape:   |   |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 1,282   | 322  | 251  | 230  | 283  | 182  | 2,550   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 7.3   | 6.3  | 6.3  | 6.9  | 6.5  | 5.6  | 6.8   |
| Prostitution and commercialized vice:           |   |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 36,039  | 6,906  | 1,116  | 1,200  | 571  | 384  | 46,216  |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 205.4   | 135.6  | 27.9   | 36.2   | 13.2   | 11.7   | 123.1   |



TABLE 11.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups—Continued

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

|  | Group I<br>26 cities over 250,000; population, 17,544,100 | Group II<br>35 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; population, 5,065,341 | Group III<br>38 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; population, 4,005,168 | Group IV<br>38 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; population, 3,311,450 | Group V<br>277 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; population, 4,325,101 | Group VI<br>604 cities under 10,000; population, 3,273,522 | Total, 1,098 cities; total population, 37,554,182 |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|--|---|
| Offense charged                              |   |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Sex offenses (except rape and prostitution): |   |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons charged                    | 5,345   | 1,306  | 1,255  | 1,029  | 986  | 523  | 10,444  |
| Rate per 100,000                             | 30.5  | 25.6   | 31.3   | 31.1   | 22.8   | 16.0   | 27.8  |
| Narcotic drug laws:                          |   |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons charged                    | 1,996   | 305  | 207  | 66   | 60   | 66   | 2,700   |
| Rate per 100,000                             | 11.4  | 6.0  | 5.2  | 2.0  | 1.4  | 2.0  | 7.2   |
| Weapons, carrying, possessing, etc.:         |   |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons charged                    | 3,198   | 856  | 807  | 662  | 437  | 399  | 6,359   |
| Rate per 100,000                             | 18.2  | 16.8   | 20.1   | 20.0   | 10.1   | 12.2   | 16.9  |
| Offenses against family and children:        |   |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons charged                    | 11,749  | 3,063  | 1,552  | 1,999  | 1,685  | 919  | 21,867  |
| Rate per 100,000                             | 68.0  | 85.3   | 38.7   | 60.4   | 39.0   | 28.1   | 59.4  |
| Liquor laws:                                 |   |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons charged                    | 8,559   | 4,433  | 2,823  | 2,663  | 1,883  | 1,428  | 21,789  |
| Rate per 100,000                             | 48.8  | 91.4   | 70.5   | 80.4   | 43.5   | 43.6   | 58.4  |
| Driving while intoxicated:                   |   |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons charged                    | 11,768  | 5,487  | 5,142  | 5,245  | 7,402  | 7,147  | 42,191  |
| Rate per 100,000                             | 70.4  | 107.7  | 128.4  | 158.4  | 171.1  | 218.3  | 114.8   |
| Traffic and motor vehicle laws:              |   |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons charged                    | 101,400,845   | 138,910  | 260,484  | 210,881  | 180,004  | 117,790  | 32,633,923  |
| Rate per 100,000                             | 10,099.8  | 8,276.0  | 6,726.7  | 6,367.3  | 4,161.8  | 3,598.5  | 7,730.9   |
| Disorderly conduct:                          |   |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons charged                    | 82,860  | 21,617   | 15,020   | 12,603   | 17,292   | 13,305   | 182,597   |
| Rate per 100,000                             | 472.3   | 424.4  | 374.9  | 380.5  | 398.8  | 403.4  | 433.0   |
| Drunkenness:                                 |   |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons charged                    | 297,445   | 96,042   | 53,814   | 64,968   | 63,392   | 50,030   | 625,691   |
| Rate per 100,000                             | 1,695.4   | 1,885.6  | 1,343.3  | 1,961.6  | 1,465.7  | 1,528.3  | 1,660.1   |
| Vagrancy:                                    |   |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons charged                    | 39,559  | 12,919   | 10,230   | 5,692  | 8,373  | 5,291  | 82,064  |
| Rate per 100,000                             | 225.5   | 253.6  | 255.4  | 171.9  | 193.6  | 161.6  | 218.5   |
| Gambling:                                    |   |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons charged                    | 36,803  | 5,442  | 5,024  | 2,765  | 2,798  | 1,796  | 54,628  |
| Rate per 100,000                             | 209.8   | 106.8  | 125.4  | 83.5   | 64.7   | 54.9   | 145.5   |
| All other offenses:                          |   |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons charged                    | 115,245   | 39,352   | 17,298   | 21,854   | 14,843   | 8,859  | 217,421   |
| Rate per 100,000                             | 656.9   | 772.6  | 431.0  | 659.9  | 343.2  | 270.6  | 579.0   |

1-19 The number of persons charged and the rate are based on the reports from the number of cities indicated below:

| Footnote | Cities | Population | Footnote | Cities | Population | Footnote | Cities | Population |
|----------|--------|------------|----------|--------|------------|----------|--------|------------|
| 1.....   | 57     | 3,948,768  | 5.....   | 1,095  | 36,831,282 | 9.....   | 1,097  | 36,737,062 |
| 2.....   | 1,097  | 37,490,782 | 6.....   | 34     | 4,849,841  | 10.....  | 23     | 14,761,200 |
| 3.....   | 25     | 17,266,100 | 7.....   | 1,097  | 37,310,682 | 11.....  | 32     | 4,650,944  |
| 4.....   | 33     | 4,648,441  | 8.....   | 25     | 16,727,000 | 12.....  | 1,092  | 34,328,885 |

Most of the police departments presented in their reports detailed information concerning the nature of the traffic violations with which persons were charged. This information is included in table 12 and is based upon the number of reports indicated in the table.

The types of violations to be included in each of the classes presented in table 12 are as follows:

Violation of road and driving laws includes violations of regulations with respect to the proper handling of a vehicle in order to prevent accidents. Examples are failure to obey traffic signal, improper speed, reckless driving, and operating with unsafe equipment.

Parking violations include all types of violations of parking regulations.

Other traffic and motor vehicle laws include violations not provided for in separate offense classes. Examples of cases to be listed here are failure to secure proper license for car or for driving, leaving scene of accident, lack of title, and obscured or defective markers.

The traffic infractions represented in table 12 were distributed as follows: Parking violations, 58.8 percent; violation of road and driving laws, 27.9 percent; other traffic and motor vehicle laws, 13.3 percent.

TABLE 12.—*Persons charged (held for prosecution), traffic violations, except driving while intoxicated, 1937; number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups*

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Offense charged                       | Group I  | Group II   | Group III   | Group IV   | Group V   | Group VI                                       | Total, 1,045 cities; total population, 31,264,816 |
|---------------------------------------|--|--|---|--|---|--|---|
|                                       | 21 cities over 250,000; population, 13,347,800 | 27 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; population, 3,905,044 | 52 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; population, 3,607,979 | 91 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; population, 3,066,186 | 265 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; population, 4,115,168 | 592 cities under 10,000; population, 3,202,639 |   |
| Road and driving laws:                |  |  |   |  |   |  |   |
| Number of persons charged.....        | 400,997  | 50,684   | 66,068  | 39,455   | 56,210  | 42,877   | 656,291   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                 | 3,004.2  | 1,297.9  | 1,831.2   | 1,278.4  | 1,365.9   | 1,338.8  | 2,090.1   |
| Parking violations:                   |  |  |   |  |   |  |   |
| Number of persons charged.....        | 744,708  | 210,799  | 161,033   | 138,727  | 87,096  | 37,749   | 1,380,112   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                 | 5,579.3  | 5,398.1  | 4,463.2   | 4,495.1  | 2,116.5   | 1,178.7  | 4,414.3   |
| Other traffic and motor vehicle laws: |  |  |   |  |   |  |   |
| Number of persons charged.....        | 155,639  | 33,914   | 31,946  | 27,775   | 30,198  | 32,661   | 312,133   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                 | 1,166.0  | 868.5  | 885.4   | 900.0  | 733.8   | 1,019.8  | 998.4   |

**Offenses Known, Offenses Cleared by Arrest, and Persons Found Guilty, 1937.**

The annual crime reports for the calendar year 1937 included information concerning the number of persons found guilty. Compilations containing such information are presented in tables 13 and 14. The tabulations are based on reports received from the police departments of 51 cities with a combined population of 11,890,710. Reports were used only if the data concerning persons found guilty were apparently compiled in accordance with the procedure outlined in the crime reporting manual. If all, or almost all, of the persons listed as held for prosecution were also shown as convicted, the report was not used in preparing the following compilations, because it was thought probable that there was some misunderstanding as to the nature of the information to be recorded.

Table 13 contains information concerning the number of offenses known, the number cleared by arrest, the number of persons held for prosecution, and the number found guilty. Table 14 does not contain information concerning the number of offenses committed or the number of offenses disposed of by arrest, because under the system of uniform crime reporting such data are not collected for the part II offense classes.

Persons found guilty are subdivided as to whether they were convicted of the offense charged or of a less serious offense. A lesser

offense is one which bears a less severe penalty. The figures concerning those found guilty of a lesser offense include those convicted of a less serious offense within the same class or of a less serious offense in a different class.

The figures in table 13 show that there were 33,232 persons held for prosecution for part I classes. There were 18,378 (55.3 percent) found guilty of the offense charged, and 4,813 (14.5 percent) found guilty of a lesser offense, making a total of 23,191 (69.8 percent) found guilty. Table 14 shows that there were 1,084,953 persons held for prosecution for part II classes and that 781,741 (72.1 percent) were found guilty of the offense charged, and 4,345 (0.4 percent) were found guilty of a lesser offense, making a total of 786,086 (72.5 percent) found guilty.

TABLE 13.—Offenses known, offenses cleared by arrest, and number of persons found guilty, 1937; 51 cities over 25,000 in population

[Total population, 11,990,710, as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Offense<br>(Part I classes)              | Number of offenses known to the police | Number of offenses cleared by arrest | Number of persons charged (held for prosecution) | Number found guilty of offense charged | Number found guilty of lesser offense | Total found guilty (of offense charged or lesser offense) | Percentage found guilty |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--|---------------------------------------|---|-------------------------|
| Criminal homicide:                       |  |                                      |  |  |                                       |   |                         |
| (a) Murder and nonnegligent manslaughter | 701                                    | 554                                  | 614  | 186                                    | 123                                   | 309   | 50.3                    |
| (b) Manslaughter by negligence           | 578                                    | 457                                  | 617  | 155                                    | 31                                    | 186   | 30.1                    |
| Rape                                     | 1,204                                  | 856                                  | 933  | 273                                    | 141                                   | 414   | 49.7                    |
| Robbery                                  | 12,055                                 | 4,921                                | 2,960  | 1,462                                  | 614                                   | 2,016   | 68.1                    |
| Aggravated assault                       | 4,838                                  | 3,146                                | 3,272  | 1,304                                  | 463                                   | 1,767   | 54.0                    |
| Burglary—breaking or entering            | 37,696                                 | 14,081                               | 6,159  | 2,688                                  | 1,756                                 | 4,444   | 72.2                    |
| Larceny— Theft (except auto theft)       | 100,229                                | 23,301                               | 16,059   | 10,839                                 | 1,351                                 | 12,190  | 75.9                    |
| Auto theft                               | 20,758                                 | 4,327                                | 2,718  | 1,531                                  | 334                                   | 1,865   | 68.6                    |

TABLE 14.—Number of persons charged (held for prosecution) and number found guilty, 1937; 51 cities over 25,000 in population

[Total population, 11,800,710, as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Offense<br>(Part II classes)                              | Number of persons charged (held for prosecution) | Number found guilty of offense charged | Number found guilty of lesser offense | Total found guilty (of offense charged or of lesser offense) | Percentage found guilty |
|---|--|--|---------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| Other assaults  | 13,001   | 6,590                                  | 102                                   | 6,692  | 51.5                    |
| Forgery and counterfeiting                                | 801  | 466                                    | 142                                   | 608  | 75.9                    |
| Embezzlement and fraud                                    | 3,467  | 1,482                                  | 302                                   | 1,784  | 51.5                    |
| Stolen property; buying, receiving, etc.                  | 1,002  | 425                                    | 88                                    | 513  | 51.2                    |
| Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.                       | 1,660  | 1,015                                  | 83                                    | 1,098  | 66.1                    |
| Sex offenses (including prostitution and commercial vice) | 111,695  | 15,716                                 | 1,124                                 | 15,840   | 14.9                    |
| Offenses against the family and children                  | 8,006  | 3,977                                  | 176                                   | 4,153  | 51.9                    |
| Narcotic drug laws  | 737  | 441                                    | 40                                    | 481  | 65.3                    |
| Liquor laws   | 5,068  | 3,212                                  | 21                                    | 3,233  | 63.5                    |
| Drunkenness; disorderly conduct and vagrancy              | 174,104  | 108,644                                | 288                                   | 108,932  | 62.6                    |
| Gambling  | 13,915   | 5,038                                  | 129                                   | 5,167  | 37.3                    |
| Driving while intoxicated                                 | 8,034  | 5,916                                  | 445                                   | 6,361  | 79.2                    |
| Traffic and motor vehicle laws                            | 1,802,010  | 1,621,648                              | 1,459                                 | 1,623,107  | 90.6                    |
| All other offenses  | 41,413   | 17,151                                 | 1,946                                 | 19,097   | 46.1                    |

<sup>1</sup> Based on reports of 50 cities with a total population of 11,060,410.

<sup>2</sup> Based on reports of 49 cities with a total population of 9,925,710.

In several instances the offense classes in table 14 are not identical with those in table 11. This is due to the fact that some of the reports did not include separate figures for the classes which have been consolidated in table 14.

***Persons Released (Not Held for Prosecution), 1937.***

The annual report concerning persons dealt with by the police provides for a listing of the number of persons taken into custody who were released without any formal charge having been placed against them. Information of this type based on reports received from police departments of 613 cities with a total population of 15,286,656 is presented in table 15. The number of cities represented is substantially less than in table 11 because the reports were excluded if there were no entries in the column devoted to this type of data or if the entries appeared to be incomplete.

The figures in the following table include persons who were taken into custody because it was thought they had been involved in the commission of crimes and who were later released either because it was found that they were innocent or because of insufficient evidence. Also, the table includes instances in which youthful persons were taken into custody but were released because the complaining witnesses refused to prosecute when they learned of the youth of the offender. Likewise, the compilation includes individuals who were taken into custody and released with a reprimand or on the "golden rule" principle. Persons summoned, notified, or cited to appear in court or at a police traffic bureau because of alleged violations, who failed to appear in response thereto, and who were not subsequently arrested, are also represented in table 15. Warning tags issued in some cities for minor violations of traffic regulations are also represented in the following tabulation.

With reference to the classification "suspicion," it should be noted that if a person was taken into custody because it was suspected that he had been involved in the commission of a specific offense, his arrest and subsequent release without being held for prosecution should be listed opposite the offense class involved. Entries in table 15 opposite "suspicion" should be limited to instances in which persons were taken into custody because of circumstances which caused the police to believe that they had been involved in criminal activities of some nature, although they were not taken into custody in connection with some specific offense. From an examination of the reports received, it appears probable that in some instances the entries were placed opposite "suspicion" when they would have been more properly listed opposite some other offense class in accordance with the foregoing explanation.

TABLE 15.—Persons released without being held for prosecution, 1937; number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Offense  | Group I<br>10 cities over 250,000; population, 6,783,700 | Group II<br>12 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; population, 1,863,400 | Group III<br>20 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; population, 1,883,944 | Group IV<br>53 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; population, 1,754,600 | Group V<br>145 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; population, 2,246,483 | Group VI<br>366 cities under 10,000; population, 1,906,429 | Total, 613 cities; total population, 15,266,656 |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|---|
| <b>Criminal homicide:</b>                              |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| (a) Murder and nonnegligent manslaughter:              |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons released.....                        | 88   | 5  | 41   | 4  | 5  | 13   | 156   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                  | 1.5  | 0.3  | 2.1  | 0.2  | 0.2  | 0.7  | 1.0   |
| (b) Manslaughter by negligence:                        |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons released.....                        | 203  | 17   | 17   | 3  | 13   | 11   | 264   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                  | 3.5  | 1.1  | 0.9  | 0.2  | 0.6  | 0.6  | 1.7   |
| <b>Robbery:</b>  |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons released.....                        | 558  | 168  | 157  | 43   | 127  | 130  | 1,192   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                  | 9.7  | 10.6   | 8.1  | 2.5  | 5.6  | 7.0  | 7.8   |
| <b>Aggravated assault:</b>                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons released.....                        | 527  | 108  | 96   | 32   | 109  | 70   | 942   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                  | 9.1  | 6.8  | 5.0  | 1.8  | 4.8  | 3.4  | 6.2   |
| <b>Other assaults:</b>                                 |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons released.....                        | 2,487  | 130  | 200  | 230  | 406  | 354  | 3,809   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                  | 43.1   | 8.2  | 10.3   | 13.1   | 18.1   | 17.7   | 24.9  |
| <b>Burglary—breaking or entering:</b>                  |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons released.....                        | 1,148  | 348  | 410  | 257  | 613  | 555  | 3,331   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                  | 18.9   | 21.9   | 21.2   | 14.6   | 27.3   | 27.8   | 21.8  |
| <b>Larceny— theft:</b>                                 |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons released.....                        | 3,224  | 567  | 726  | 602  | 1,288  | 1,056  | 7,463   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                  | 55.9   | 35.8   | 37.5   | 34.3   | 57.3   | 82.8   | 48.8  |
| <b>Auto theft:</b>                                     |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons released.....                        | 601  | 204  | 177  | 121  | 234  | 178  | 1,515   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                  | 10.4   | 12.9   | 9.2  | 6.9  | 10.4   | 8.9  | 9.0   |
| <b>Embezzlement and fraud:</b>                         |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons released.....                        | 384  | 55   | 39   | 30   | 75   | 93   | 676   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                  | 6.7  | 3.5  | 2.0  | 1.7  | 3.3  | 4.7  | 4.4   |
| <b>Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing:</b> |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons released.....                        | 152  | 37   | 49   | 64   | 77   | 75   | 454   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                  | 2.6  | 2.3  | 2.6  | 3.6  | 3.4  | 3.8  | 3.0   |
| <b>Forgery and counterfeiting:</b>                     |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons released.....                        | 110  | 25   | 48   | 29   | 68   | 60   | 349   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                  | 1.9  | 1.6  | 2.5  | 1.7  | 3.0  | 3.5  | 2.3   |
| <b>Rape:</b>   |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons released.....                        | 196  | 33   | 34   | 9  | 20   | 33   | 315   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                  | 3.4  | 2.1  | 1.2  | 0.5  | 0.9  | 1.7  | 2.1   |
| <b>Prostitution and commercialized vice:</b>           |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons released.....                        | 5,378  | 38   | 89   | 17   | 41   | 84   | 5,647   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                  | 93.3   | 2.4  | 4.6  | 1.0  | 1.8  | 4.2  | 36.9  |
| <b>Sex offenses (except rape and prostitution):</b>    |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons released.....                        | 136  | 44   | 120  | 83   | 61   | 57   | 501   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                  | 2.4  | 2.8  | 6.2  | 4.7  | 2.7  | 2.9  | 3.3   |
| <b>Narcotic drug laws:</b>                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons released.....                        | 140  | 9  | 37   | 3  | 21   | 20   | 230   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                  | 2.4  | 0.6  | 1.9  | 0.2  | 0.9  | 1.0  | 1.5   |
| <b>Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.:</b>            |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons released.....                        | 203  | 32   | 29   | 35   | 55   | 86   | 440   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                  | 3.5  | 2.0  | 1.5  | 2.0  | 2.4  | 4.3  | 2.9   |
| <b>Offenses against family and children:</b>           |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons released.....                        | 191  | 100  | 97   | 93   | 190  | 200  | 877   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                  | 3.5  | 7.7  | 5.0  | 5.3  | 8.5  | 10.0   | 5.9   |
| <b>Liquor laws:</b>                                    |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons released.....                        | 748  | 25   | 65   | 60   | 115  | 110  | 1,129   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                  | 13.0   | 1.6  | 3.4  | 3.8  | 5.1  | 5.5  | 7.4   |
| <b>Driving while intoxicated:</b>                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons released.....                        | 130  | 70   | 114  | 106  | 149  | 220  | 789   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                  | 2.3  | 4.4  | 5.9  | 6.0  | 6.6  | 11.0   | 8.2   |
| <b>Traffic and motor vehicle laws:</b>                 |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons released.....                        | 60,020   | 71,689   | 26,813   | 20,633   | 57,633   | 29,283   | 246,071   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                  | 1,577.8  | 6,230.6  | 1,386.4  | 1,175.9  | 1,673.7  | 1,468.3  | 1,908.0   |
| <b>Disorderly conduct:</b>                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons released.....                        | 3,117  | 358  | 502  | 505  | 1,380  | 1,579  | 7,441   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                  | 54.1   | 22.6   | 26.0   | 28.8   | 61.4   | 78.0   | 48.7  |
| <b>Drunkenness:</b>                                    |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons released.....                        | 30,140   | 2,205  | 10,215   | 3,363  | 4,108  | 8,376  | 65,057  |
| Rate per 100,000.....                                  | 678.8  | 144.7  | 528.2  | 191.7  | 183.4  | 319.1  | 428.9   |

TABLE 15.—Persons released without being held for prosecution, 1937; number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups—Continued

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Offense                         | Group I<br>10 cities over 250,000; population, 5,785,706 | Group II<br>12 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; population, 1,865,500 | Group III<br>28 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; population, 1,833,944 | Group IV<br>53 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; population, 1,754,500 | Group V<br>145 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; population, 2,246,485 | Group VI<br>366 cities under 10,000; population, 1,958,429 | Total, 613 cities; total population, 15,256,056 |
|---------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|---|
| Vagrancy:                       |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons released..... | 468  | 1,472  | 433  | 1,434  | 1,135  | 6,346  | 11,293  |
| Rate per 100,000.....           | 8.1  | 92.8   | 22.6   | 81.7   | 50.5   | 317.5  | 73.9  |
| Gambling:                       |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons released..... | 11,876   | 72   | 124  | 108  | 99   | 116  | 12,395  |
| Rate per 100,000.....           | 206.0  | 4.5  | 6.4  | 6.2  | 4.4  | 5.8  | 81.1  |
| Suspicion:                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons released..... | 37,290   | 2,539  | 3,040  | 4,401  | 7,262  | 5,404  | 64,036  |
| Rate per 100,000.....           | 646.8  | 160.1  | 415.7  | 250.8  | 323.0  | 270.4  | 424.8   |
| All other offenses:             |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| Number of persons released..... | 7,240  | 3,101  | 1,544  | 1,490  | 1,982  | 1,872  | 17,229  |
| Rate per 100,000.....           | 125.6  | 193.6  | 79.8   | 84.9   | 88.1   | 93.7   | 112.7   |

<sup>1-6</sup> The number of persons released and the rate are based on the reports from the number of cities indicated below:

| Footnote | Cities | Population | Footnote | Cities | Population | Footnote | Cities | Population |
|----------|--------|------------|----------|--------|------------|----------|--------|------------|
| 1.....   | 9      | 5,487,700  | 3.....   | 611    | 14,807,256 | 5.....   | 9      | 1,150,000  |
| 2.....   | 11     | 1,894,100  | 4.....   | 8      | 3,804,000  | 6.....   | 608    | 12,990,056 |

As previously indicated, some of the reports listed all types of violators of traffic laws (except driving while intoxicated) in a single figure. In table 16 there are presented data for three types of violations of traffic laws based on reports which were apparently correctly prepared in that respect. The nature of the violations included in each class is the same as indicated in the comment preceding table 12.



TABLE 16.—Persons released without being held for prosecution, traffic violations, except driving while intoxicated, 1937; number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Offense                               | Group I<br>6 cities over 250,000; population, 2,332,100 | Group II<br>7 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; population, 921,400 | Group III<br>17 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; population, 1,229,344 | Group IV<br>46 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; population, 1,560,860 | Group V<br>118 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; population, 1,824,245 | Group VI<br>313 cities under 10,000; population, 1,091,938 | Total, 337 cities; total population, 9,779,847 |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| Road and driving laws:                |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of persons released.....       | 14,711  | 9,888   | 2,101  | 2,105  | 2,635  | 6,573  | 38,013   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                 | 576.4   | 1,073.1   | 170.9  | 134.9  | 144.4  | 388.5  | 388.7  |
| Parking violations:                   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of persons released.....       | 43,902  | 61,133  | 22,680   | 13,901   | 32,388   | 10,040   | 190,204  |
| Rate per 100,000.....                 | 1,728.8   | 6,634.8   | 1,844.9  | 896.4  | 1,774.3  | 948.0  | 1,944.9  |
| Other traffic and motor vehicle laws: |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of persons released.....       | 652   | 600   | 1,652  | 3,733  | 2,573  | 6,124  | 15,334   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                 | 23.8  | 65.1  | 134.4  | 239.2  | 141.0  | 301.9  | 156.8  |

#### Percentage of Offenses Cleared by Arrest, 1934-37.

There is presented in table 17 comparative data concerning the proportion of offenses cleared by arrest for the years 1934-37. The figures are based on reports received from the police departments of 46 cities with a combined population of 16,777,615. The compilation shows that the proportion of cleared cases of auto theft increased for each of the years represented. For larceny and robbery the highest proportion of clearances occurred in 1935. However, in the case of robbery the proportion of clearances in 1937 is higher than that shown for 1934. For burglary the highest proportion of offenses cleared occurred in 1936 although the 1937 figure is higher than that shown for each of the first two years represented in the table. For the remaining types of crimes (classed as offenses against the person), the variation in the figures is rather irregular.

TABLE 17.—Percentage of offenses cleared by arrest, 1934-37

[46 cities over 100,000, total population 16,777,615, as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Year      | Criminal homicide                 |                            | Rape | Robbery | Aggravated assault | Burglary—breaking or entering | Larceny—thief | Auto theft |
|-----------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|------|---------|--------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|------------|
|           | Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter | Manslaughter by negligence |      |         |                    |                               |               |            |
| 1934..... | 79.5                              | 77.7                       | 77.5 | 35.5    | 64.8               | 127.9                         | 23.3          | 11.9       |
| 1935..... | 83.5                              | 65.1                       | 60.1 | 47.9    | 62.4               | 132.8                         | 24.9          | 14.8       |
| 1936..... | 79.3                              | 71.6                       | 70.8 | 44.1    | 63.3               | 136.7                         | 23.6          | 16.5       |
| 1937..... | 80.0                              | 79.0                       | 73.9 | 39.7    | 68.8               | 135.4                         | 22.1          | 17.1       |

<sup>1</sup> The data for burglary are based on reports of 45 cities with a total population of 16,620,615.

<sup>2</sup> The data for larceny—thief are based on reports of 43 cities with a total population of 16,221,481.

<sup>3</sup> The data for auto theft are based on reports of 41 cities with a total population of 12,229,915.

**Offenses Known, Offenses Cleared by Arrest, and Persons Charged, by Geographic Divisions, 1937.**

The preceding tables showed cities divided into six groups according to size. The information presented in tables 18-37 is based on the same reports. However, the cities have been divided into nine groups according to location. It will, therefore, be possible to furnish some basis for estimating the approximate amount of minor crimes in each of the nine geographic sections of the United States.

In examining the tabulations relative to the proportion of offenses cleared by arrest, it should be noted that in some of the geographic divisions the total number of cities represented is quite low. This is particularly noticeable in the tables where the cities are divided according to size within each geographic division. Variances may be partially attributable to a failure to maintain a complete record of offenses cleared. Inadequate personnel would cause a tendency toward low figures. Figures shown for prostitution and commercialized vice may be considered conservative inasmuch as many jurisdictions treat charges for these violations as vagrancy, disorderly conduct, etc.



TABLE 18.—Number of offenses known, number and percentage of offenses cleared by arrest, 1937, by geographic divisions

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Geographic division                       | Criminal homicide                 |                            | Rape  | Robbery | Aggravated assault | Burglary—breaking or entering | Larceny—<br>theft | Auto theft |
|---|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|-------|---------|--------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|------------|
|   | Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter | Manslaughter by negligence |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| NEW ENGLAND STATES                        |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| 117 cities; total population, 3,947,479:  |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Number of offenses known.....             | 56                                | 161                        | 315   | 719     | 446                | 8,899                         | 18,918            | 7,455      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....             | 49                                | 153                        | 304   | 412     | 407                | 3,347                         | 7,161             | 1,609      |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....         | 87.5                              | 95.0                       | 96.5  | 57.3    | 91.3               | 37.6                          | 37.9              | 21.6       |
| MIDDLE ATLANTIC STATES                    |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| 293 cities; total population, 7,571,366:  |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Number of offenses known.....             | 233                               | 352                        | 515   | 1,913   | 2,146              | 12,786                        | 25,901            | 10,018     |
| Number cleared by arrest.....             | 201                               | 333                        | 490   | 951     | 1,849              | 4,790                         | 8,605             | 2,136      |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....         | 86.3                              | 94.6                       | 95.1  | 49.7    | 86.2               | 37.5                          | 33.2              | 21.3       |
| EAST NORTH CENTRAL STATES                 |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| 283 cities; total population, 12,492,822: |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Number of offenses known.....             | 595                               | 492                        | 1,234 | 12,399  | 4,590              | 39,376                        | 98,611            | 21,268     |
| Number cleared by arrest.....             | 461                               | 368                        | 850   | 4,714   | 2,650              | 12,487                        | 19,825            | 4,454      |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....         | 77.5                              | 74.8                       | 68.9  | 38.3    | 57.9               | 31.6                          | 20.1              | 20.9       |
| WEST NORTH CENTRAL STATES                 |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| 133 cities; total population, 4,187,718:  |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Number of offenses known.....             | 199                               | 178                        | 199   | 2,319   | 691                | 11,684                        | 33,917            | 8,630      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....             | 179                               | 157                        | 172   | 998     | 583                | 5,021                         | 9,516             | 2,185      |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....         | 89.9                              | 88.2                       | 86.4  | 43.0    | 84.4               | 42.3                          | 28.1              | 25.3       |
| SOUTH ATLANTIC STATES                     |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| 57 cities; total population, 2,905,990:   |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Number of offenses known.....             | 491                               | 136                        | 319   | 3,282   | 3,353              | 14,833                        | 35,628            | 9,087      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....             | 441                               | 122                        | 291   | 1,460   | 2,783              | 5,015                         | 11,261            | 1,241      |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....         | 89.8                              | 89.7                       | 91.2  | 44.5    | 83.0               | 33.8                          | 31.6              | 13.7       |
| EAST SOUTH CENTRAL STATES                 |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| 17 cities; total population, 282,180:     |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Number of offenses known.....             | 74                                | 44                         | 15    | 140     | 246                | 1,055                         | 1,568             | 476        |
| Number cleared by arrest.....             | 67                                | 38                         | 11    | 80      | 217                | 223                           | 707               | 87         |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....         | 90.5                              | 86.4                       | 73.3  | 57.1    | 88.2               | 21.1                          | 45.1              | 18.3       |
| WEST SOUTH CENTRAL STATES                 |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| 49 cities; total population, 2,451,273:   |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Number of offenses known.....             | 394                               | 149                        | 191   | 1,512   | 1,942              | 11,085                        | 32,281            | 5,046      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....             | 353                               | 142                        | 179   | 661     | 1,586              | 3,897                         | 9,686             | 1,467      |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....         | 89.6                              | 95.3                       | 93.7  | 43.7    | 81.7               | 34.5                          | 30.0              | 29.5       |
| MOUNTAIN STATES                           |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| 42 cities; total population, 775,112:     |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Number of offenses known.....             | 35                                | 15                         | 79    | 480     | 171                | 3,356                         | 8,681             | 2,170      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....             | 31                                | 12                         | 69    | 242     | 157                | 1,264                         | 2,788             | 539        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....         | 88.6                              | 80.0                       | 87.3  | 49.5    | 91.8               | 37.7                          | 32.1              | 24.8       |
| PACIFIC STATES                            |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| 108 cities; total population, 2,940,243:  |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Number of offenses known.....             | 112                               | 229                        | 214   | 1,930   | 809                | 12,535                        | 36,169            | 11,484     |
| Number cleared by arrest.....             | 94                                | 185                        | 182   | 635     | 635                | 3,515                         | 6,710             | 1,672      |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....         | 83.9                              | 80.8                       | 85.0  | 32.4    | 78.5               | 28.1                          | 18.6              | 14.6       |

TABLE 19.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by geographic divisions

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Offense charged                                 | New England States<br>117 cities; total population, 3,947,479 | Middle Atlantic States<br>293 cities; total population, 7,571,396 | East North Central States<br>283 cities; total population, 12,402,822 | West North Central States<br>132 cities; total population, 4,187,718 | South Atlantic States<br>57 cities; total population, 2,905,999 | East South Central States<br>17 cities; total population, 287,180 | West South Central States<br>49 cities; total population, 2,451,273 | Mountain States<br>42 cities; total population, 775,112 | Pacific States<br>108 cities; total population, 2,940,243 |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|---|---|---|---|
| Criminal homicide:                              |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |
| (a) Murder and nonnegligent manslaughter:       |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 44  | 191   | 408   | 182  | 486   | 55  | 332   | 28  | 106   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 1.1   | 2.5   | 4.0   | 4.3  | 16.7  | 19.5  | 13.5  | 3.6   | 3.6   |
| (b) Manslaughter by negligence:                 |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 205   | 346   | 546   | 159  | 346   | 42  | 116   | 16  | 162   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 5.2   | 4.6   | 4.4   | 3.8  | 11.9  | 14.9  | 4.7   | 2.1   | 5.5   |
| Robbery:  |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 523   | 959   | 2,868   | 786  | 1,782   | 84  | 779   | 189   | 686   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 13.2  | 12.7  | 23.0  | 18.8   | 61.3  | 29.8  | 31.8  | 24.4  | 23.3  |
| Aggravated assault:                             |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 403   | 1,924   | 2,427   | 601  | 1,250   | 201   | 1,631   | 110   | 644   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 10.2  | 25.4  | 19.4  | 14.4   | 114.4   | 71.2  | 66.5  | 14.2  | 21.9  |
| Other assaults:                                 |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 4,388   | 12,424  | 11,173  | 1,899  | 15,243  | 653   | 3,688   | 552   | 1,905   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 111.2   | 164.1   | 89.4  | 45.3   | 524.5   | 231.4   | 150.5   | 71.2  | 64.9  |
| Burglary—breaking or entering:                  |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 3,217   | 4,236   | 5,854   | 2,425  | 5,562   | 214   | 3,277   | 693   | 2,154   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 81.5  | 55.9  | 46.9  | 57.9   | 191.4   | 75.8  | 133.7   | 89.4  | 73.3  |
| Larceny— theft:                                 |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 6,459   | 6,967   | 14,509  | 7,400  | 12,548  | 751   | 10,273  | 1,736   | 6,041   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 163.6   | 92.0  | 116.1   | 176.7  | 431.8   | 266.1   | 419.1   | 224.0   | 205.5   |
| Auto theft:                                     |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 1,440   | 1,967   | 2,856   | 1,472  | 1,614   | 67  | 1,271   | 249   | 1,388   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 36.5  | 24.7  | 22.9  | 35.2   | 55.5  | 23.7  | 51.9  | 32.1  | 47.2  |
| Embezzlement and fraud:                         |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 407   | 813   | 3,386   | 987  | 1,756   | 47  | 399   | 150   | 673   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 10.3  | 10.7  | 27.1  | 23.6   | 60.4  | 16.7  | 16.3  | 19.4  | 22.9  |
| Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing: |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 518   | 598   | 1,119   | 272  | 673   | 73  | 568   | 69  | 223   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 13.1  | 7.9   | 9.0   | 6.5  | 23.2  | 25.9  | 23.2  | 8.9   | 7.6   |
| Forgery and counterfeiting:                     |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 318   | 409   | 818   | 636  | 454   | 45  | 556   | 167   | 867   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 8.1   | 5.4   | 6.5   | 15.2   | 15.6  | 15.9  | 22.7  | 21.5  | 29.5  |
| Rape:   |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 327   | 520   | 785   | 197  | 282   | 11  | 200   | 73  | 155   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 8.3   | 6.9   | 6.3   | 4.7  | 9.7   | 3.9   | 8.2   | 9.4   | 5.3   |
| Prostitution and commercialized vice:           |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 532   | 11,584  | 9,406   | 7,900  | 5,234   | 29  | 5,054   | 1,681   | 4,534   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 13.5  | 153.0   | 76.0  | 190.8  | 183.6   | 10.3  | 206.2   | 141.3   | 157.6   |
| Sex offenses (except rape and prostitution):    |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 2,518   | 1,858   | 2,184   | 654  | 1,988   | 15  | 901   | 109   | 657   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 63.8  | 17.9  | 17.5  | 15.6   | 68.4  | 5.3   | 36.8  | 21.8  | 22.3  |
| Narcotic drug laws:                             |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 133   | 176   | 568   | 210  | 156   | 14  | 552   | 105   | 786   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 3.4   | 2.3   | 4.5   | 5.0  | 5.4   | 5.0   | 22.5  | 13.5  | 26.7  |
| Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.:            |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 295   | 926   | 1,511   | 365  | 1,522   | 161   | 935   | 191   | 453   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 7.5   | 12.2  | 12.1  | 8.7  | 52.4  | 57.1  | 38.1  | 24.6  | 15.4  |
| Offenses against family and children:           |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 3,943   | 3,459   | 6,690   | 1,679  | 4,632   | 52  | 1,329   | 34  | 1,049   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 99.9  | 45.7  | 53.6  | 40.1   | 159.4   | 18.4  | 19.0  | 4.4   | 35.7  |

Footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 19.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by geographic divisions—Continued

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Offense charged                 | New England States<br>117 cities; total population, 3,947,479 | Middle Atlantic States<br>263 cities; total population, 7,571,366 | East North Central States<br>283 cities; total population, 12,492,822 | West North Central States<br>132 cities; total population, 4,187,718 | South Atlantic States<br>57 cities; total population, 2,436,989 | East South Central States<br>17 cities; total population, 282,180 | West South Central States<br>49 cities; total population, 2,451,273 | Mountain States<br>42 cities; total population, 776,112 | Pacific States<br>108 cities; total population, 2,946,243 |
|---------------------------------|---|---|---|--|---|---|---|---|---|
| Liquor laws:                    |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.      | 674   | 1,941   | 5,111   | 1,875  | 8,698   | 458   | 2,243   | 233   | 556   |
| Rate per 100,000.               | 17.1  | 25.6  | 40.9  | 44.8   | 299.3   | 162.3   | 101.6   | 30.1  | 18.9  |
| Driving while intoxicated:      |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.      | 4,183   | 4,944   | 11,800  | 3,851  | 5,465   | 681   | 2,269   | 1,391   | 7,585   |
| Rate per 100,000.               | 106.0   | 65.3  | 94.5  | 92.0   | 261.6   | 241.3   | 93.4  | 179.5   | 258.0   |
| Traffic and motor vehicle laws: |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.      | 137,267   | 386,812   | 846,807   | 281,754  | 197,440   | 7,912   | 358,978   | 87,559  | 340,394   |
| Rate per 100,000.               | 3,579.4   | 5,108.9   | 8,178.4   | 6,728.1  | 9,451.9   | 2,803.9   | 14,644.6  | 11,266.3  | 12,553.5  |
| Disorderly conduct:             |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.      | 5,094   | 33,046  | 34,889  | 14,728   | 43,597  | 1,961   | 14,972  | 6,408   | 7,901   |
| Rate per 100,000.               | 128.8   | 436.5   | 279.3   | 351.7  | 1,500.2   | 702.0   | 610.8   | 826.1   | 208.7   |
| Drunkenness:                    |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.      | 97,176  | 60,132  | 128,342   | 47,665   | 86,742  | 7,803   | 57,802  | 16,513  | 93,516  |
| Rate per 100,000.               | 2,461.7   | 1,190.4   | 1,027.3   | 1,133.2  | 2,984.9   | 2,765.3   | 2,358.0   | 2,130.4   | 3,180.6   |
| Vagrancy:                       |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.      | 1,528   | 12,904  | 8,535   | 10,008   | 5,702   | 396   | 11,835  | 2,779   | 27,317  |
| Rate per 100,000.               | 38.7  | 171.6   | 68.3  | 239.0  | 196.2   | 140.3   | 482.6   | 570.7   | 929.1   |
| Gambling:                       |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.      | 4,456   | 4,577   | 15,159  | 1,987  | 7,458   | 455   | 5,907   | 409   | 14,130  |
| Rate per 100,000.               | 112.9   | 60.5  | 121.3   | 47.4   | 256.6   | 161.2   | 241.0   | 64.4  | 480.6   |
| All other offenses:             |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.      | 15,435  | 43,874  | 45,402  | 19,844   | 38,038  | 2,257   | 27,969  | 4,436   | 20,106  |
| Rate per 100,000.               | 391.0   | 579.5   | 363.4   | 473.9  | 1,309.0   | 799.8   | 1,141.0   | 572.3   | 685.9   |

<sup>1-8</sup> The number of persons charged and the rate are based on the reports of the number of cities indicated below:

| Footnote | Cities | Population | Footnote | Cities | Population | Footnote | Cities | Population |
|----------|--------|------------|----------|--------|------------|----------|--------|------------|
| 1.....   | 56     | 2,848,580  | 4.....   | 49     | 2,307,773  | 7.....   | 260    | 10,354,222 |
| 2.....   | 41     | 481,912    | 5.....   | 56     | 2,088,888  | 8.....   | 107    | 2,783,243  |
| 3.....   | 46     | 1,725,373  | 6.....   | 116    | 3,834,882  |          |        |            |

TABLE 20.—*Number of offenses known, number and percentage of offenses cleared by arrest, 1937, by population groups*

## NEW ENGLAND STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Population group   | Criminal homicide                 |                            | Rape  | Robbery | Aggravated assault | Burglary—breaking or entering | Larceny—<br>theft | Auto theft |
|--|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|-------|---------|--------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|------------|
|  | Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter | Manslaughter by negligence |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| GROUP I.—2 cities over 250,000; total population, 1,042,500:         |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Number of offenses known.....  | 18                                | 73                         | 137   | 380     | 214                | 1,785                         | 4,565             | 3,227      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....  | 15                                | 72                         | 137   | 255     | 210                | 1,486                         | 3,284             | 600        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                    | 83.3                              | 98.6                       | 100.0 | 67.1    | 98.1               | 83.2                          | 71.9              | 21.7       |
| GROUP II.—8 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; total population, 1,051,831: |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Number of offenses known.....  | 7                                 | 30                         | 52    | 138     | 141                | 3,404                         | 7,022             | 2,394      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....  | 7                                 | 29                         | 51    | 62      | 112                | 809                           | 1,667             | 354        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                    | 100.0                             | 96.7                       | 98.1  | 44.9    | 79.4               | 23.8                          | 23.7              | 14.8       |
| GROUP III.—5 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; total population, 344,802:   |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Number of offenses known.....  | 7                                 | 13                         | 27    | 32      | 12                 | 703                           | 1,161             | 490        |
| Number cleared by arrest.....  | 6                                 | 13                         | 27    | 9       | 12                 | 181                           | 281               | 160        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                    | 85.7                              | 100.0                      | 100.0 | 28.1    | 100.0              | 25.7                          | 24.2              | 32.7       |
| GROUP IV.—15 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; total population, 506,392:    |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Number of offenses known.....  | 4                                 | 17                         | 18    | 57      | 28                 | 1,232                         | 2,418             | 626        |
| Number cleared by arrest.....  | 4                                 | 16                         | 17    | 12      | 27                 | 328                           | 706               | 128        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                    | 100.0                             | 94.1                       | 94.4  | 21.1    | 96.4               | 26.6                          | 29.2              | 20.4       |
| GROUP V.—46 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; total population, 750,270:     |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Number of offenses known.....  | 13                                | 24                         | 56    | 102     | 39                 | 1,391                         | 3,022             | 586        |
| Number cleared by arrest.....  | 13                                | 19                         | 50    | 68      | 35                 | 891                           | 908               | 222        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                    | 100.0                             | 79.2                       | 89.3  | 66.7    | 89.7               | 28.1                          | 30.0              | 37.9       |
| GROUP VI.—41 cities under 10,000; total population, 251,684:         |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Number of offenses known.....  | 7                                 | 4                          | 25    | 10      | 12                 | 384                           | 730               | 132        |
| Number cleared by arrest.....  | 4                                 | 4                          | 22    | 6       | 11                 | 152                           | 315               | 46         |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                    | 57.1                              | 100.0                      | 88.0  | 60.0    | 91.7               | 39.6                          | 43.2              | 34.8       |
| Total, 117 cities; total population, 3,947,479:                      |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Number of offenses known.....  | 56                                | 161                        | 315   | 719     | 446                | 8,890                         | 18,918            | 7,455      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....  | 49                                | 153                        | 304   | 412     | 407                | 3,347                         | 7,161             | 1,600      |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                    | 87.5                              | 95.0                       | 96.5  | 57.3    | 91.3               | 37.6                          | 37.9              | 21.6       |

TABLE 21.—*Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups*

## NEW ENGLAND STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Offense charged                    | Group I<br>2 cities over 250,000; population, 1,042,500 | Group II<br>8 cities 100,000 to 250,000; population, 1,051,831 | Group III<br>5 cities 50,000 to 100,000; population, 344,802 | Group IV<br>15 cities 25,000 to 50,000; population, 506,392 | Group V<br>46 cities 10,000 to 25,000; population, 750,270 | Group VI<br>41 cities under 10,000; population, 251,684 | Total, 117 cities; total population, 3,947,479 |
|------------------------------------|---|--|--|---|--|---|--|
| Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter: |   |  |  |   |  |   |  |
| Number of persons charged.....     | 20  | 6  | 4  | 3   | 7  | 4   | 44   |
| Rate per 100,000.....              | 1.9   | 0.6  | 1.2  | 0.6   | 0.9  | 1.6   | 1.1  |
| Manslaughter by negligence:        |   |  |  |   |  |   |  |
| Number of persons charged.....     | 121   | 30   | 13   | 18  | 19   | 4   | 205  |
| Rate per 100,000.....              | 11.6  | 2.9  | 3.8  | 3.6   | 2.5  | 1.6   | 5.2  |
| Robbery:                           |   |  |  |   |  |   |  |
| Number of persons charged.....     | 335   | 75   | 12   | 24  | 70   | 7   | 523  |
| Rate per 100,000.....              | 32.1  | 7.1  | 3.5  | 4.7   | 9.3  | 2.8   | 13.2   |

TABLE 21.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups—Continued

## NEW ENGLAND STATES—Continued

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Offense charged                                 | Group I | Group II | Group III | Group IV | Group V | Group VI | Total   |
|---|---------|----------|-----------|----------|---------|----------|---------|
| Aggravated assault:                             |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 198     | 108      | 18        | 25       | 41      | 13       | 403     |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 19.0    | 10.3     | 5.2       | 4.9      | 5.5     | 5.2      | 10.2    |
| Other assaults:                                 |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 1,546   | 1,224    | 248       | 314      | 806     | 250      | 4,388   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 148.3   | 116.4    | 71.9      | 62.0     | 107.4   | 99.3     | 111.2   |
| Burglary—breaking or entering:                  |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 1,618   | 602      | 164       | 322      | 370     | 141      | 3,217   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 155.2   | 57.2     | 47.6      | 63.6     | 49.3    | 56.0     | 81.5    |
| Larceny— theft:                                 |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 2,870   | 1,551    | 275       | 586      | 841     | 338      | 6,459   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 275.3   | 147.5    | 79.8      | 115.7    | 112.1   | 133.5    | 163.6   |
| Auto theft:                                     |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 632     | 320      | 116       | 102      | 227     | 43       | 1,440   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 60.6    | 30.4     | 33.6      | 20.1     | 30.3    | 17.1     | 26.5    |
| Embezzlement and fraud:                         |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 187     | 132      | 3         | 30       | 46      | 9        | 407     |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 17.9    | 12.5     | 0.9       | 5.9      | 6.1     | 3.6      | 10.3    |
| Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing: |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 309     | 90       | 19        | 20       | 49      | 22       | 518     |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 29.6    | 9.4      | 5.5       | 3.9      | 6.5     | 8.7      | 13.1    |
| Forgery and counterfeiting:                     |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 194     | 55       | 5         | 15       | 20      | 29       | 318     |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 18.6    | 5.2      | 1.5       | 3.0      | 2.7     | 11.5     | 8.1     |
| Rape:   |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 156     | 50       | 28        | 15       | 56      | 22       | 327     |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 15.0    | 4.8      | 8.1       | 3.0      | 7.5     | 8.7      | 8.3     |
| Prostitution and commercialized vice:           |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 246     | 194      | 1         | 71       | 9       | 11       | 532     |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 23.6    | 18.4     | 0.3       | 14.0     | 1.2     | 4.4      | 13.5    |
| Sex offenses (except rape and prostitution):    |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 1,411   | 421      | 129       | 198      | 259     | 100      | 2,518   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 135.3   | 40.0     | 37.4      | 39.1     | 34.5    | 30.7     | 63.8    |
| Narcotic drug laws:                             |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 105     | 22       | —         | 4        | 1       | 1        | 133     |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 10.1    | 2.1      | —         | 0.8      | 0.1     | 0.4      | 3.4     |
| Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.:            |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 187     | 48       | 7         | 22       | 24      | 9        | 296     |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 17.9    | 4.4      | 2.0       | 4.3      | 3.2     | 3.6      | 7.5     |
| Offenses against family and children:           |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 1,408   | 1,180    | 162       | 388      | 606     | 190      | 3,943   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 135.1   | 112.2    | 47.0      | 76.6     | 80.8    | 79.1     | 99.9    |
| Liquor laws:                                    |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 191     | 246      | 24        | 81       | 91      | 41       | 674     |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 18.3    | 23.4     | 7.0       | 16.0     | 12.1    | 16.3     | 17.1    |
| Driving while intoxicated:                      |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 774     | 837      | 296       | 652      | 1,124   | 502      | 4,185   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 74.2    | 79.6     | 85.8      | 128.8    | 149.8   | 190.5    | 108.0   |
| Traffic and motor vehicle laws:                 |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 48,717  | 66,575   | 4,339     | 6,836    | 8,561   | 2,239    | 137,267 |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 4,673.1 | 7,088.2  | 1,258.4   | 1,349.9  | 1,141.1 | 889.6    | 3,579.4 |
| Disorderly conduct:                             |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 1,170   | 2,349    | 80        | 687      | 636     | 102      | 5,064   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 112.2   | 223.3    | 23.2      | 135.7    | 84.8    | 64.4     | 128.8   |
| Drunkenness:                                    |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 51,166  | 22,416   | 4,682     | 7,211    | 9,212   | 2,489    | 97,176  |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 4,908.0 | 2,131.1  | 1,357.9   | 1,424.0  | 1,227.8 | 988.9    | 2,461.7 |
| Vagrancy:                                       |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 279     | 544      | 121       | 226      | 267     | 91       | 1,528   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 26.8    | 51.7     | 35.1      | 44.6     | 35.6    | 36.2     | 38.7    |
| Gambling:                                       |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 2,176   | 917      | 387       | 274      | 326     | 176      | 4,456   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 208.7   | 87.2     | 112.2     | 54.1     | 70.1    | 60.9     | 112.9   |
| All other offenses:                             |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 4,463   | 3,977    | 1,066     | 2,395    | 2,904   | 630      | 15,435  |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 428.1   | 373.1    | 309.2     | 473.0    | 387.1   | 250.3    | 391.0   |

<sup>1-3</sup> The number of persons charged and the rate are based on the reports of the number of cities indicated below: <sup>1</sup> 7 cities, 939,234 population; <sup>2</sup> 116 cities, 3,834,882 population.

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TABLE 22.—Number of offenses known, number and percentage of offenses cleared by arrest, 1937, by population groups

## MIDDLE ATLANTIC STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Population group   | Criminal homicide                 |                            | Rape  | Robbery | Aggravated assault | Burglary—breaking or entering | Larceny— theft | Auto theft |
|--|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|-------|---------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|------------|
|  | Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter | Manslaughter by negligence |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| GROUP I.—3 cities over 250,000; total population, 2,890,600:         |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....  | 135                               | 78                         | 227   | 977     | 1,043              | 3,478                         | 7,047          | 4,013      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....  | 113                               | 72                         | 211   | 572     | 966                | 1,940                         | 3,135          | 856        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                    | 83.7                              | 92.3                       | 93.0  | 58.5    | 83.0               | 55.8                          | 44.5           | 21.3       |
| GROUP II.—8 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; total population, 1,112,800: |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....  | 12                                | 99                         | 74    | 240     | 329                | 2,771                         | 5,263          | 1,851      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....  | 10                                | 97                         | 72    | 90      | 253                | 982                           | 1,374          | 260        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                    | 83.3                              | 98.0                       | 97.3  | 37.5    | 76.9               | 35.4                          | 26.1           | 14.0       |
| GROUP III.—12 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; total population, 876,600:  |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....  | 25                                | 21                         | 41    | 239     | 211                | 2,144                         | 3,785          | 1,550      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....  | 24                                | 18                         | 39    | 82      | 180                | 613                           | 1,048          | 250        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                    | 96.0                              | 85.7                       | 95.1  | 34.3    | 85.3               | 28.9                          | 27.7           | 16.1       |
| GROUP IV.—18 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; total population, 592,600:    |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....  | 16                                | 30                         | 50    | 86      | 158                | 1,143                         | 3,021          | 807        |
| Number cleared by arrest.....  | 14                                | 30                         | 47    | 38      | 164                | 289                           | 743            | 173        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                    | 87.5                              | 100.0                      | 94.0  | 44.2    | 103.8              | 25.3                          | 24.6           | 21.4       |
| GROUP V.—73 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; total population, 1,161,184:   |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....  | 25                                | 67                         | 79    | 217     | 262                | 1,976                         | 4,494          | 1,276      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....  | 22                                | 60                         | 79    | 118     | 255                | 630                           | 1,454          | 378        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                    | 88.0                              | 89.6                       | 100.0 | 54.4    | 97.3               | 31.9                          | 32.4           | 29.6       |
| GROUP VI.—179 cities under 10,000; total population, 937,562:        |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....  | 20                                | 57                         | 44    | 134     | 143                | 1,274                         | 2,291          | 821        |
| Number cleared by arrest.....  | 18                                | 56                         | 42    | 51      | 131                | 436                           | 851            | 219        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                    | 90.0                              | 98.2                       | 95.5  | 33.1    | 91.6               | 34.2                          | 37.1           | 42.0       |
| Total, 293 cities; total population, 7,571,366:                      |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....  | 233                               | 352                        | 515   | 1,913   | 2,146              | 12,786                        | 25,901         | 10,018     |
| Number cleared by arrest.....  | 201                               | 333                        | 490   | 951     | 1,849              | 4,790                         | 8,605          | 2,136      |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                    | 86.3                              | 94.6                       | 95.1  | 49.7    | 86.2               | 37.5                          | 33.2           | 21.3       |

TABLE 23.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups

## MIDDLE ATLANTIC STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Offense charged                    | Group I                                      | Group II  | Group III  | Group IV  | Group V   | Group VI                                     | Total, 293 cities; total population, 7,571,366 |
|------------------------------------|--|---|--|---|---|--|--|
|                                    | 3 cities over 250,000; population, 2,890,600 | 8 cities 100,000 to 250,000; population 1,112,800 | 12 cities 50,000 to 100,000; population, 876,600 | 18 cities 25,000 to 50,000; population, 592,600 | 73 cities 10,000 to 25,000; population, 1,161,184 | 179 cities under 10,000; population, 937,562 |  |
| Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter: |  |   |  |   |   |  |  |
| Number of persons charged.....     | 104  | 10  | 24   | 14  | 22  | 17   | 191  |
| Rate per 100,000.....              | 3.6  | 0.9   | 2.7  | 2.4   | 1.9   | 1.8  | 2.5  |
| Manslaughter by negligence:        |  |   |  |   |   |  |  |
| Number of persons charged.....     | 72   | 97  | 20   | 30  | 69  | 58   | 346  |
| Rate per 100,000.....              | 2.5  | 8.7   | 2.3  | 5.1   | 5.9   | 6.2  | 4.6  |
| Robbery:                           |  |   |  |   |   |  |  |
| Number of persons charged.....     | 494  | 97  | 91   | 54  | 150   | 73   | 959  |
| Rate per 100,000.....              | 17.1   | 8.7   | 10.4   | 9.1   | 12.9  | 7.8  | 12.7   |

TABLE 23.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups—Continued

## MIDDLE ATLANTIC STATES—Continued

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Offense charged  | Group I | Group II | Group III | Group IV | Group V | Group VI | Total   |
|--|---------|----------|-----------|----------|---------|----------|---------|
| <b>Aggravated assault:</b>                             |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                              | 918     | 269      | 200       | 168      | 239     | 130      | 1,924   |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 31.8    | 24.2     | 22.8      | 28.3     | 20.6    | 13.9     | 25.4    |
| <b>Other assaults:</b>                                 |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                              | 6,771   | 1,407    | 807       | 1,132    | 1,398   | 909      | 12,424  |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 234.2   | 126.4    | 92.1      | 191.0    | 120.4   | 97.0     | 164.1   |
| <b>Burglary—breaking or entering:</b>                  |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                              | 2,074   | 531      | 391       | 287      | 579     | 374      | 4,236   |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 71.7    | 47.7     | 44.6      | 48.4     | 49.9    | 39.9     | 55.9    |
| <b>Larceny—theft:</b>                                  |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                              | 1,965   | 1,108    | 916       | 798      | 1,389   | 891      | 6,967   |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 64.5    | 99.6     | 104.5     | 134.7    | 119.6   | 93.0     | 92.0    |
| <b>Auto theft:</b>                                     |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                              | 785     | 297      | 198       | 159      | 277     | 211      | 1,867   |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 27.2    | 21.3     | 22.6      | 26.8     | 23.9    | 22.5     | 24.7    |
| <b>Embezzlement and fraud:</b>                         |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                              | 161     | 119      | 82        | 125      | 199     | 137      | 813     |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 5.6     | 10.7     | 9.4       | 21.1     | 16.3    | 14.6     | 10.7    |
| <b>Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing:</b> |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                              | 321     | 63       | 40        | 43       | 65      | 66       | 598     |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 11.1    | 5.7      | 4.6       | 7.3      | 5.6     | 7.0      | 7.9     |
| <b>Forgery and counterfeiting:</b>                     |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                              | 113     | 78       | 31        | 56       | 74      | 57       | 409     |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 3.9     | 7.0      | 3.5       | 9.4      | 6.4     | 6.1      | 5.4     |
| <b>Rape:</b>   |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                              | 229     | 69       | 39        | 80       | 87      | 46       | 530     |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 7.9     | 6.2      | 4.4       | 8.4      | 7.5     | 4.9      | 6.9     |
| <b>Prostitution and commercialized vice:</b>           |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                              | 10,748  | 352      | 310       | 58       | 102     | 14       | 11,584  |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 371.8   | 31.6     | 35.4      | 9.8      | 8.8     | 1.5      | 153.0   |
| <b>Sex offenses (except rape and prostitution):</b>    |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                              | 682     | 192      | 143       | 94       | 129     | 118      | 1,358   |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 23.6    | 17.3     | 16.3      | 15.9     | 11.1    | 12.6     | 17.9    |
| <b>Narcotic drug laws:</b>                             |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                              | 117     | 21       | 28        | 1        | 2       | 7        | 176     |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 4.0     | 1.9      | 3.2       | 0.2      | 0.2     | 0.7      | 2.3     |
| <b>Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.:</b>            |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                              | 524     | 107      | 86        | 65       | 78      | 66       | 926     |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 18.1    | 9.6      | 9.8       | 11.0     | 6.7     | 7.0      | 12.2    |
| <b>Offenses against family and children:</b>           |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                              | 1,560   | 508      | 375       | 267      | 519     | 230      | 3,459   |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 54.0    | 45.7     | 42.8      | 45.1     | 44.7    | 24.5     | 45.7    |
| <b>Liquor laws:</b>                                    |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                              | 1,328   | 138      | 138       | 94       | 169     | 74       | 1,941   |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 45.9    | 12.4     | 15.7      | 15.9     | 14.6    | 7.9      | 25.6    |
| <b>Driving while intoxicated:</b>                      |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                              | 1,994   | 420      | 564       | 402      | 898     | 666      | 4,944   |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 69.0    | 37.7     | 64.3      | 67.8     | 77.3    | 71.0     | 65.3    |
| <b>Traffic and motor vehicle laws:</b>                 |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                              | 159,373 | 66,949   | 46,770    | 39,096   | 41,738  | 32,886   | 386,812 |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 5,513.5 | 6,016.3  | 5,335.4   | 6,597.4  | 3,594.4 | 3,507.5  | 5,108.9 |
| <b>Disorderly conduct:</b>                             |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                              | 12,728  | 3,404    | 2,789     | 3,398    | 5,960   | 4,767    | 33,046  |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 440.3   | 305.9    | 318.2     | 573.4    | 513.3   | 508.4    | 436.5   |
| <b>Drunkenness:</b>                                    |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                              | 46,852  | 10,732   | 9,928     | 6,576    | 9,936   | 6,108    | 90,132  |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 1,620.8 | 964.4    | 1,132.6   | 1,109.7  | 855.7   | 651.5    | 1,190.4 |
| <b>Vagrancy:</b>                                       |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                              | 8,236   | 969      | 1,007     | 490      | 1,284   | 1,008    | 12,994  |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 284.9   | 87.1     | 114.9     | 82.7     | 110.6   | 107.5    | 171.6   |
| <b>Gambling:</b>                                       |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                              | 2,593   | 353      | 362       | 784      | 320     | 165      | 4,577   |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 89.7    | 31.7     | 41.3      | 132.3    | 27.6    | 17.6     | 60.5    |
| <b>All other offenses:</b>                             |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                              | 28,621  | 4,622    | 1,880     | 2,754    | 3,564   | 2,433    | 43,874  |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 990.1   | 415.3    | 214.5     | 464.7    | 306.9   | 259.5    | 579.5   |

Auto theft

4,013  
856  
21.31,851  
260  
14.01,540  
250  
16.1807  
173  
21.41,376  
378  
29.6621  
219  
42.010,018  
2,136  
21.3

rate per

Total,  
293  
cities;  
total  
population,  
7,571,368191  
2.5346  
4.6959  
12.7



TABLE 24.—Number of offenses known, number and percentage of offenses cleared by arrest, 1937, by population groups

## EAST NORTH CENTRAL STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Population group  | Criminal homicide                 |                            | Rape  | Robbery | Aggravated assault | Burglary—breaking or entering | Larceny—thrift | Auto theft |
|---|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|-------|---------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|------------|
|   | Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter | Manslaughter by negligence |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| GROUP I.—7 cities over 250,000; total population, 7,399,000:          |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....   | 487                               | 301                        | 849   | 10,255  | 3,547              | 26,028                        | 63,600         | 12,314     |
| Number cleared by arrest.....   | 342                               | 220                        | 532   | 4,062   | 1,983              | 8,491                         | 11,748         | 2,105      |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                     | 74.8                              | 73.1                       | 62.7  | 39.6    | 55.9               | 32.6                          | 18.5           | 17.1       |
| GROUP II.—6 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; total population, 571,100:    |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....   | 37                                | 76                         | 86    | 410     | 419                | 2,699                         | 8,889          | 2,381      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....   | 36                                | 37                         | 58    | 144     | 224                | 885                           | 1,420          | 524        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                     | 97.3                              | 48.7                       | 67.4  | 35.1    | 53.5               | 32.9                          | 16.0           | 22.0       |
| GROUP III.—19 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; total population, 1,233,410: |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....   | 41                                | 55                         | 112   | 729     | 262                | 3,825                         | 8,834          | 2,390      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....   | 35                                | 52                         | 91    | 247     | 124                | 1,151                         | 2,308          | 590        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                     | 85.4                              | 94.5                       | 81.3  | 33.9    | 47.4               | 30.1                          | 26.1           | 24.7       |
| GROUP IV.—31 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; total population, 1,066,100:   |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....   | 28                                | 21                         | 84    | 395     | 167                | 2,864                         | 8,317          | 2,026      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....   | 25                                | 20                         | 80    | 122     | 128                | 689                           | 1,796          | 533        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                     | 89.3                              | 95.2                       | 95.2  | 30.9    | 76.6               | 24.1                          | 21.6           | 26.3       |
| GROUP V.—68 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; total population, 1,066,528:    |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....   | 14                                | 12                         | 55    | 319     | 110                | 2,492                         | 6,133          | 1,462      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....   | 8                                 | 12                         | 50    | 86      | 98                 | 719                           | 1,548          | 418        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                     | 57.1                              | 100.0                      | 90.9  | 27.0    | 87.3               | 28.9                          | 25.2           | 28.6       |
| GROUP VI.—132 cities under 10,000; total population, 836,687:         |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....   | 18                                | 27                         | 48    | 191     | 135                | 1,477                         | 2,838          | 695        |
| Number cleared by arrest.....   | 15                                | 27                         | 39    | 53      | 95                 | 522                           | 1,005          | 284        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                     | 83.3                              | 100.0                      | 81.3  | 27.7    | 70.4               | 35.3                          | 35.4           | 40.9       |
| Total, 283 cities; total population, 12,492,822:                      |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....   | 595                               | 492                        | 1,234 | 12,299  | 4,560              | 39,376                        | 98,611         | 21,268     |
| Number cleared by arrest.....   | 461                               | 368                        | 850   | 4,714   | 2,650              | 12,487                        | 19,825         | 4,454      |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                     | 77.5                              | 74.8                       | 68.9  | 38.3    | 57.9               | 31.6                          | 20.1           | 20.9       |

TABLE 25.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups

## EAST NORTH CENTRAL STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Offense charged                    | Group I<br>7 cities over 250,000; population, 7,399,000 | Group II<br>6 cities 100,000 to 250,000; population, 571,100 | Group III<br>19 cities 50,000 to 100,000; population, 1,233,410 | Group IV<br>31 cities 25,000 to 50,000; population, 1,066,100 | Group V<br>68 cities 10,000 to 25,000; population, 1,066,528 | Group VI<br>132 cities under 10,000; population, 836,687 | Total, 283 cities, total population, 12,492,822 |
|------------------------------------|---|--|---|---|--|--|---|
| Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter: |   |  |   |   |  |  |   |
| Number of persons charged.....     | 383   | 33   | 38  | 19  | 8  | 17   | 498   |
| Rate per 100,000.....              | 5.2   | 3.8  | 3.0   | 1.8   | 0.8  | 2.0  | 4.0   |
| Manslaughter by negligence:        |   |  |   |   |  |  |   |
| Number of persons charged.....     | 394   | 42   | 49  | 21  | 14   | 26   | 546   |
| Rate per 100,000.....              | 5.3   | 4.8  | 3.9   | 2.0   | 1.3  | 3.1  | 4.4   |
| Robbery:                           |   |  |   |   |  |  |   |
| Number of persons charged.....     | 2,220   | 178  | 170   | 138   | 88   | 74   | 2,668   |
| Rate per 100,000.....              | 30.0  | 30.4   | 13.6  | 12.9  | 8.3  | 8.8  | 23.0  |



TABLE 25.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups—Continued

EAST NORTH CENTRAL STATES—Continued

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Offense charged                                 | Group I  | Group II | Group III | Group IV | Group V | Group VI | Total   |
|---|----------|----------|-----------|----------|---------|----------|---------|
| Aggravated assault:                             |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 1,835    | 134      | 126       | 145      | 91      | 98       | 2,427   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 24.8     | 13.4     | 10.1      | 13.6     | 8.5     | 11.5     | 19.4    |
| Other assaults:                                 |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 6,475    | 1,078    | 1,035     | 1,372    | 686     | 527      | 11,173  |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 87.5     | 123.8    | 82.6      | 128.7    | 64.3    | 63.0     | 89.4    |
| Burglary—breaking or entering:                  |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 3,475    | 375      | 538       | 554      | 492     | 420      | 5,854   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 47.0     | 43.0     | 42.9      | 52.0     | 46.1    | 50.2     | 46.9    |
| Larceny—theft:                                  |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 8,190    | 1,265    | 1,455     | 1,499    | 1,272   | 828      | 14,500  |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 110.7    | 145.2    | 116.1     | 140.6    | 119.3   | 99.0     | 116.1   |
| Auto theft:                                     |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 1,291    | 222      | 328       | 416      | 358     | 241      | 2,856   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 17.4     | 23.5     | 26.2      | 39.0     | 33.6    | 28.8     | 22.9    |
| Embezzlement and fraud:                         |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 2,445    | 212      | 207       | 255      | 126     | 141      | 3,386   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 33.0     | 21.3     | 16.5      | 23.9     | 11.8    | 16.9     | 27.1    |
| Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing: |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 752      | 59       | 98        | 106      | 58      | 46       | 1,119   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 10.2     | 6.8      | 7.8       | 9.9      | 5.4     | 5.5      | 9.0     |
| Forgery and counterfeiting:                     |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 262      | 124      | 96        | 152      | 97      | 87       | 818     |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 3.5      | 14.2     | 7.7       | 14.3     | 9.1     | 10.4     | 6.5     |
| Rape:   |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 461      | 58       | 90        | 78       | 52      | 46       | 785     |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 6.2      | 6.7      | 7.2       | 7.3      | 4.9     | 5.5      | 6.3     |
| Prostitution and commercialized vice:           |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 8,496    | 350      | 215       | 284      | 133     | 18       | 9,496   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 114.8    | 40.2     | 17.2      | 26.6     | 12.5    | 2.2      | 76.0    |
| Sex offenses (except rape and prostitution):    |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 1,182    | 166      | 245       | 304      | 209     | 78       | 2,184   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 16.0     | 19.1     | 19.5      | 28.5     | 19.6    | 9.3      | 17.5    |
| Narcotic drug laws:                             |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 499      | 20       | 12        | 19       | 7       | 11       | 568     |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 6.7      | 2.3      | 1.0       | 1.8      | 0.7     | 1.3      | 4.5     |
| Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.:            |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 1,014    | 87       | 118       | 144      | 81      | 67       | 1,511   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 13.7     | 10.0     | 9.4       | 13.5     | 7.6     | 8.0      | 12.1    |
| Offenses against family and children:           |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 4,700    | 320      | 554       | 574      | 295     | 157      | 6,600   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 64.7     | 38.7     | 44.2      | 53.8     | 27.7    | 18.8     | 53.6    |
| Liquor laws:                                    |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 3,124    | 562      | 410       | 530      | 302     | 183      | 5,111   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 42.2     | 64.5     | 32.7      | 49.7     | 28.3    | 21.9     | 40.9    |
| Driving while intoxicated:                      |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 4,039    | 1,014    | 1,666     | 1,664    | 1,658   | 1,759    | 11,800  |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 54.6     | 116.4    | 132.9     | 156.1    | 155.5   | 210.2    | 94.5    |
| Traffic and motor vehicle laws:                 |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 150,458  | 158,878  | 79,418    | 48,675   | 42,066  | 27,312   | 846,807 |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 10,867.6 | 8,431.6  | 6,336.2   | 4,565.7  | 3,944.2 | 3,264.3  | 8,178.4 |
| Disorderly conduct:                             |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 18,739   | 3,159    | 3,772     | 3,021    | 3,503   | 2,695    | 34,889  |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 253.3    | 362.6    | 300.9     | 283.4    | 328.4   | 322.1    | 279.3   |
| Drunkenness:                                    |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 72,065   | 8,748    | 11,906    | 17,287   | 9,989   | 8,347    | 128,342 |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 974.0    | 1,004.2  | 949.9     | 1,621.5  | 936.6   | 997.6    | 1,027.3 |
| Vagrancy:                                       |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 3,302    | 1,265    | 1,886     | 631      | 1,320   | 431      | 8,535   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 44.6     | 145.2    | 126.5     | 50.2     | 123.8   | 51.5     | 68.3    |
| Gambling:                                       |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 12,575   | 603      | 829       | 345      | 630     | 177      | 15,159  |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 170.0    | 69.2     | 66.1      | 32.4     | 59.1    | 21.2     | 121.3   |
| All other offenses:                             |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 27,502   | 3,396    | 4,727     | 4,904    | 2,497   | 2,376    | 45,402  |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 371.7    | 389.9    | 377.1     | 460.0    | 234.1   | 284.0    | 363.4   |

<sup>1-3</sup> The number of persons charged and the rate are based on the reports of the number of cities indicated below: <sup>1</sup> 5 cities, 5,433,200 population; <sup>2</sup> 5 cities, 698,300 population; <sup>3</sup> 280 cities, 10,354,222 population.

Auto theft  
12,314  
2,105  
17.1  
2,381  
524  
22.0  
2,390  
590  
24.7  
2,026  
533  
26.3  
1,462  
418  
28.6  
695  
284  
40.9  
1,268  
4,454  
20.9  
rate per  
Total, 283 cities, total population, 12,492,822  
498  
4.0  
546  
4.4  
2,868  
23.0

TABLE 26.—Number of offenses known, number and percentage of offenses cleared by arrest, 1937, by population groups

## WEST NORTH CENTRAL STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Population group   | Criminal homicide                 |                             | Rape  | Robbery | Aggravated assault | Burglary—breaking or entering | Larceny— theft | Auto theft |
|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------|---------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|------------|
|  | Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter | Man-slaughter by negligence |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| GROUP I.—4 cities over 250,000; total population, 1,998,500:       |                                   |                             |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                      | 111                               | 103                         | 118   | 1,489   | 340                | 5,446                         | 17,002         | 4,252      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                      | 92                                | 96                          | 99    | 731     | 284                | 3,129                         | 4,400          | 1,002      |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                  | 82.9                              | 93.2                        | 83.9  | 49.1    | 83.5               | 57.5                          | 25.9           | 23.6       |
| GROUP II.—5 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; total population, 706,000: |                                   |                             |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                      | 31                                | 56                          | 18    | 348     | 140                | 2,110                         | 4,534          | 1,535      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                      | 23                                | 47                          | 16    | 98      | 119                | 607                           | 1,467          | 514        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                  | 106.5                             | 83.9                        | 88.9  | 28.2    | 85.0               | 28.8                          | 32.4           | 33.5       |
| GROUP III.—5 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; total population, 348,300: |                                   |                             |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                      | 15                                | 2                           | 15    | 137     | 42                 | 1,490                         | 4,079          | 1,160      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                      | 15                                | 2                           | 12    | 46      | 30                 | 385                           | 925            | 217        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                  | 100.0                             | 100.0                       | 80.0  | 33.6    | 71.4               | 25.8                          | 22.7           | 18.7       |
| GROUP IV.—7 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; total population, 232,700:   |                                   |                             |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                      | 9                                 | —                           | 11    | 111     | 31                 | 948                           | 2,534          | 493        |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                      | 9                                 | —                           | 11    | 37      | 29                 | 290                           | 932            | 88         |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                  | 100.0                             | —                           | 100.0 | 33.3    | 93.5               | 35.3                          | 36.8           | 17.8       |
| GROUP V.—35 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; total population, 500,823:   |                                   |                             |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                      | 21                                | 14                          | 27    | 134     | 90                 | 1,256                         | 4,049          | 778        |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                      | 19                                | 10                          | 26    | 48      | 79                 | 351                           | 1,234          | 256        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                  | 90.5                              | 71.4                        | 96.3  | 35.8    | 87.8               | 27.9                          | 30.5           | 32.9       |
| GROUP VI.—76 cities under 10,000; total population, 401,395:       |                                   |                             |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                      | 12                                | 3                           | 10    | 100     | 48                 | 734                           | 1,719          | 412        |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                      | 11                                | 2                           | 8     | 38      | 42                 | 250                           | 558            | 108        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                  | 91.7                              | 66.7                        | 80.0  | 38.0    | 87.5               | 34.1                          | 32.5           | 26.2       |
| Total, 132 cities; total population, 4,187,718:                    |                                   |                             |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                      | 199                               | 178                         | 199   | 2,319   | 691                | 11,884                        | 33,917         | 8,630      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                      | 179                               | 157                         | 172   | 968     | 583                | 5,021                         | 9,516          | 2,185      |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                  | 89.9                              | 88.2                        | 86.4  | 43.0    | 84.4               | 42.3                          | 28.1           | 25.3       |

TABLE 27.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups

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[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Offense charged                    | Group I                                      | Group II   | Group III                                       | Group IV                                       | Group V   | Group VI                                    | Total, 132 cities; total population, 4,187,718 |
|------------------------------------|--|--|---|--|---|---|--|
|                                    | 4 cities over 250,000; population, 1,998,500 | 5 cities 100,000 to 250,000; population, 706,000 | 5 cities 50,000 to 100,000; population, 348,300 | 7 cities 25,000 to 50,000; population, 232,700 | 35 cities 10,000 to 25,000; population, 500,823 | 76 cities under 10,000; population, 401,395 |  |
| Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter: |  |  |   |  |   |   |  |
| Number of persons charged.....     | 103  | 35   | 14  | 6  | 11  | 13  | 182  |
| Rate per 100,000.....              | 5.2  | 5.0  | 4.0   | 2.6  | 2.2   | 3.2   | 4.3  |
| Manslaughter by negligence:        |  |  |   |  |   |   |  |
| Number of persons charged.....     | 94   | 55   | 2   | —  | 7   | 1   | 159  |
| Rate per 100,000.....              | 4.7  | 7.8  | .6  | —  | 1.4   | .2  | 3.8  |
| Robbery:                           |  |  |   |  |   |   |  |
| Number of persons charged.....     | 474  | 119  | 41  | 54   | 60  | 38  | 786  |
| Rate per 100,000.....              | 23.7   | 16.9   | 11.8  | 23.2   | 12.0  | 9.5   | 18.8   |

TABLE 27.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups—Continued

## WEST NORTH CENTRAL STATES—Continued

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Offense charged                                 | Group I | Group II | Group III | Group IV | Group V | Group VI | Total   |
|---|---------|----------|-----------|----------|---------|----------|---------|
| Aggravated assault:                             |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 313     | 104      | 26        | 28       | 85      | 45       | 601     |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 15.7    | 14.7     | 7.5       | 12.0     | 17.0    | 11.2     | 14.4    |
| Other assaults:                                 |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 485     | 717      | 208       | 68       | 285     | 136      | 1,899   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 24.3    | 101.6    | 59.7      | 29.2     | 56.9    | 33.9     | 45.3    |
| Burglary—breaking or entering:                  |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 1,017   | 560      | 166       | 157      | 317     | 208      | 2,425   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 50.9    | 79.3     | 47.7      | 67.5     | 63.3    | 51.8     | 57.9    |
| Larceny—theft:                                  |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 2,940   | 1,711    | 653       | 417      | 1,128   | 551      | 7,400   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 147.1   | 242.4    | 187.5     | 179.2    | 225.2   | 137.3    | 176.7   |
| Auto theft:                                     |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 702     | 298      | 90        | 57       | 204     | 118      | 1,472   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 35.1    | 42.2     | 26.7      | 24.5     | 40.7    | 29.4     | 35.2    |
| Embezzlement and fraud:                         |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 685     | 86       | 85        | 30       | 72      | 29       | 987     |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 34.3    | 12.2     | 24.4      | 12.9     | 14.4    | 7.2      | 23.6    |
| Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing: |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 74      | 78       | 16        | 15       | 56      | 33       | 272     |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 3.7     | 11.0     | 4.6       | 6.4      | 11.2    | 8.2      | 6.5     |
| Forgery and counterfeiting:                     |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 222     | 125      | 60        | 46       | 122     | 61       | 636     |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 11.1    | 17.7     | 17.2      | 19.8     | 24.4    | 15.2     | 15.2    |
| Rape:   |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 114     | 26       | 13        | 11       | 26      | 7        | 197     |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 5.7     | 3.7      | 3.7       | 4.7      | 5.2     | 1.7      | 4.7     |
| Prostitution and commercialized vice:           |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 7,571   | 247      | 23        | 73       | 54      | 22       | 7,900   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 378.8   | 35.0     | 6.6       | 31.4     | 10.8    | 5.5      | 190.8   |
| Sex offenses (except rape and prostitution):    |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 338     | 118      | 71        | 38       | 55      | 34       | 654     |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 16.9    | 16.7     | 20.4      | 16.3     | 11.0    | 8.5      | 15.6    |
| Narcotic drug laws:                             |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 106     | 12       | 76        | 4        | 4       | 6        | 210     |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 5.4     | 1.7      | 21.8      | 1.7      | .8      | 1.5      | 5.0     |
| Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.:            |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 204     | 68       | 21        | 11       | 41      | 20       | 365     |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 10.2    | 9.6      | 6.0       | 4.7      | 8.2     | 5.0      | 8.7     |
| Offenses against family and children:           |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 1,342   | 147      | 52        | 17       | 72      | 49       | 1,679   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 67.2    | 20.8     | 14.9      | 7.3      | 14.4    | 12.2     | 40.1    |
| Liquor laws:                                    |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 376     | 674      | 144       | 85       | 436     | 290      | 1,875   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 18.6    | 95.5     | 41.3      | 36.5     | 87.1    | 64.8     | 44.8    |
| Driving while intoxicated:                      |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 1,040   | 872      | 210       | 262      | 894     | 573      | 3,851   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 52.0    | 123.5    | 60.3      | 112.6    | 178.5   | 142.8    | 92.0    |
| Traffic and motor vehicle laws:                 |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 191,121 | 37,561   | 30,480    | 2,278    | 12,763  | 7,351    | 281,754 |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 9,563.2 | 5,320.3  | 8,808.5   | 978.9    | 2,548.4 | 1,831.4  | 6,728.1 |
| Disorderly conduct:                             |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 10,968  | 601      | 785       | 400      | 1,224   | 730      | 14,728  |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 549.8   | 85.1     | 225.4     | 171.9    | 244.4   | 181.9    | 351.7   |
| Drunkenness:                                    |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 12,761  | 13,933   | 4,454     | 3,334    | 7,330   | 5,853    | 47,665  |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 638.5   | 1,973.5  | 1,278.8   | 1,432.7  | 1,463.6 | 1,458.2  | 1,138.2 |
| Vagrancy:                                       |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 5,255   | 2,418    | 506       | 602      | 824     | 403      | 10,006  |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 262.9   | 342.5    | 145.3     | 238.7    | 164.5   | 100.4    | 239.0   |
| Gambling:                                       |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 369     | 614      | 561       | 76       | 266     | 101      | 1,967   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 18.5    | 87.0     | 161.1     | 32.7     | 53.1    | 25.2     | 47.4    |
| All other offenses:                             |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       | 7,441   | 7,388    | 2,114     | 600      | 1,646   | 655      | 19,844  |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 372.3   | 1,046.5  | 606.9     | 257.8    | 328.7   | 163.2    | 473.9   |

TABLE 28.—Number of offenses known, number and percentage of offenses cleared by arrest, 1937, by population groups

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[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Population group   | Criminal homicide                 |                            | Rape | Robbery | Aggravated assault | Burglary—breaking or entering | Larceny—thrift | Auto theft |
|--|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|------|---------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|------------|
|  | Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter | Manslaughter by negligence |      |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| GROUP I.—3 cities over 250,000; total population, 1,592,500:       |                                   |                            |      |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                      | 245                               | 51                         | 197  | 2,497   | 966                | 8,547                         | 17,677         | 6,223      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                      | 203                               | 44                         | 183  | 1,132   | 792                | 2,973                         | 5,709          | 765        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                  | 82.9                              | 86.3                       | 92.9 | 45.3    | 87.4               | 34.8                          | 32.3           | 12.3       |
| GROUP II.—2 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; total population, 314,610: |                                   |                            |      |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                      | 68                                | 20                         | 35   | 347     | 788                | 2,357                         | 6,065          | 1,035      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                      | 61                                | 18                         | 32   | 112     | 598                | 565                           | 1,424          | 116        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                  | 89.7                              | 90.0                       | 91.4 | 32.3    | 75.9               | 24.0                          | 23.5           | 11.2       |
| GROUP III.—5 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; total population, 337,289: |                                   |                            |      |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                      | 80                                | 22                         | 34   | 181     | 479                | 1,566                         | 5,170          | 665        |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                      | 81                                | 20                         | 26   | 80      | 406                | 484                           | 1,216          | 64         |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                  | 101.3                             | 90.9                       | 76.5 | 44.2    | 84.8               | 30.9                          | 23.5           | 9.6        |
| GROUP IV.—10 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; total population, 356,434:  |                                   |                            |      |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                      | 66                                | 29                         | 34   | 154     | 825                | 1,391                         | 4,616          | 728        |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                      | 66                                | 29                         | 33   | 74      | 669                | 580                           | 2,008          | 156        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                  | 100.0                             | 100.0                      | 97.1 | 48.1    | 81.1               | 41.7                          | 43.5           | 21.4       |
| GROUP V.—10 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; total population, 164,849:   |                                   |                            |      |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                      | 20                                | 4                          | 12   | 67      | 235                | 541                           | 1,317          | 272        |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                      | 18                                | 3                          | 11   | 44      | 212                | 206                           | 568            | 82         |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                  | 90.0                              | 75.0                       | 91.7 | 65.7    | 90.2               | 38.4                          | 43.1           | 30.1       |
| GROUP VI.—27 cities under 10,000; total population, 140,307:       |                                   |                            |      |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                      | 12                                | 10                         | 7    | 36      | 120                | 431                           | 783            | 164        |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                      | 12                                | 8                          | 6    | 18      | 106                | 205                           | 336            | 58         |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                  | 100.0                             | 80.0                       | 85.7 | 50.0    | 88.3               | 47.6                          | 42.9           | 35.4       |
| Total, 37 cities; total population, 2,905,989:                     |                                   |                            |      |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                      | 491                               | 136                        | 319  | 3,282   | 3,533              | 14,833                        | 35,628         | 9,087      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                      | 441                               | 122                        | 291  | 1,460   | 2,783              | 5,015                         | 11,261         | 1,241      |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                  | 89.8                              | 89.7                       | 91.2 | 44.5    | 83.0               | 33.8                          | 31.6           | 13.7       |

TABLE 29.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups

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[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Offense charged                    | Group I<br>3 cities over 250,000; population, 1,592,500 | Group II<br>2 cities 100,000 to 250,000; population, 314,610 | Group III<br>5 cities 50,000 to 100,000; population, 337,289 | Group IV<br>10 cities 25,000 to 50,000; population, 356,434 | Group V<br>10 cities 10,000 to 25,000; population, 164,849 | Group VI<br>27 cities under 10,000; population, 140,307 | Total, 37 cities; total population, 2,905,989 |
|------------------------------------|---|--|--|---|--|---|---|
| Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter: |   |  |  |   |  |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....     | 230   | 61   | 91   | 72  | 20   | 12  | 496   |
| Rate per 100,000.....              | 14.4  | 19.4   | 27.0   | 20.2  | 12.1   | 8.6   | 16.7  |
| Manslaughter by negligence:        |   |  |  |   |  |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....     | 235   | 48   | 23   | 26  | 4  | 10  | 346   |
| Rate per 100,000.....              | 14.8  | 15.3   | 6.8  | 7.3   | 2.4  | 7.1   | 11.9  |
| Robbery:                           |   |  |  |   |  |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....     | 1,358   | 157  | 99   | 92  | 44   | 32  | 1,782   |
| Rate per 100,000.....              | 85.3  | 49.9   | 29.4   | 25.8  | 26.7   | 22.8  | 61.3  |

TABLE 29.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups—Continued

## SOUTH ATLANTIC STATES—Continued

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Offense charged                                 | Group I  | Group II | Group III | Group IV | Group V | Group VI | Total   |
|---|----------|----------|-----------|----------|---------|----------|---------|
| Aggravated assault:                             |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 935      | 624      | 1 679     | 703      | 203     | 115      | 3 259   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 88.7     | 198.3    | 234.2     | 197.2    | 123.1   | 82.0     | 114.4   |
| Other assaults:                                 |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 6,606    | 3,134    | 2,032     | 2,149    | 743     | 579      | 15,243  |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 414.8    | 996.2    | 602.5     | 602.9    | 450.7   | 412.7    | 524.5   |
| Burglary—breaking or entering:                  |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 3,698    | 552      | 411       | 525      | 188     | 188      | 5,562   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 232.2    | 175.5    | 121.9     | 147.3    | 114.0   | 134.0    | 191.4   |
| Larceny—theft:                                  |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 7,109    | 1,324    | 1,244     | 1,920    | 577     | 374      | 12,548  |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 446.4    | 420.8    | 368.8     | 538.7    | 350.0   | 266.6    | 431.8   |
| Auto theft:                                     |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 1,161    | 138      | 50        | 143      | 94      | 38       | 1,614   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 72.9     | 43.9     | 14.8      | 40.1     | 51.0    | 27.1     | 53.5    |
| Embezzlement and fraud:                         |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 823      | 432      | 192       | 211      | 83      | 15       | 1,756   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 51.7     | 137.3    | 56.9      | 59.2     | 50.3    | 10.7     | 60.4    |
| Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing: |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 251      | 143      | 58        | 126      | 38      | 57       | 673     |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 15.8     | 45.5     | 17.2      | 33.4     | 23.1    | 40.6     | 23.2    |
| Forgery and counterfeiting:                     |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 151      | 79       | 62        | 109      | 22      | 31       | 454     |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 9.5      | 25.1     | 18.4      | 30.6     | 13.3    | 22.1     | 15.6    |
| Rape:   |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 165      | 42       | 29        | 29       | 11      | 6        | 282     |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 10.4     | 13.3     | 8.6       | 8.1      | 6.7     | 4.3      | 9.7     |
| Prostitution and commercialized vice:           |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 4,013    | 839      | 246       | 163      | 37      | 36       | 5,334   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 252.0    | 268.7    | 72.9      | 45.7     | 22.4    | 25.7     | 183.6   |
| Sex offenses (except rape and prostitution):    |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 1,339    | 139      | 132       | 176      | 141     | 61       | 1,988   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 84.1     | 44.2     | 30.1      | 49.4     | 83.5    | 43.5     | 68.4    |
| Narcotic drug laws:                             |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 141      | 2        | 8         | 3        | —       | 2        | 156     |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 8.9      | 0.6      | 2.4       | 0.8      | —       | 1.4      | 8.4     |
| Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.:            |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 672      | 191      | 269       | 251      | 66      | 73       | 1,522   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 42.2     | 60.7     | 79.8      | 70.4     | 40.0    | 52.0     | 52.4    |
| Offenses against family and children:           |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 1,857    | 1,547    | 287       | 587      | 147     | 207      | 4,632   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 116.6    | 491.7    | 85.1      | 164.7    | 89.2    | 147.5    | 150.4   |
| Liquor laws:                                    |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 2,997    | 1,640    | 1,779     | 1,624    | 303     | 355      | 8,098   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 188.2    | 621.3    | 537.4     | 455.6    | 183.8   | 253.0    | 299.3   |
| Driving while intoxicated:                      |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 1 1,733  | 471      | 930       | 1,180    | 485     | 666      | 5 4,665 |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 223.5    | 149.7    | 275.7     | 331.1    | 294.2   | 474.7    | 261.6   |
| Traffic and motor vehicle laws:                 |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 114,903  | 30,406   | 19,909    | 22,521   | 6,129   | 3,482    | 197,440 |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 14,818.5 | 9,664.7  | 5,929.3   | 6,318.4  | 3,717.9 | 2,481.7  | 9,451.9 |
| Disorderly conduct:                             |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 25,558   | 7,820    | 4,640     | 3,051    | 1,446   | 1,082    | 43,597  |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 1,604.9  | 2,485.6  | 1,375.7   | 856.0    | 877.2   | 771.2    | 1,600.2 |
| Drunkenness:                                    |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 39,518   | 10,621   | 9,002     | 14,385   | 6,765   | 6,451    | 86,742  |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 2,481.5  | 3,375.9  | 2,608.9   | 4,035.8  | 4,103.8 | 4,597.8  | 2,984.9 |
| Vagrancy:                                       |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 3,675    | 781      | 382       | 450      | 224     | 190      | 5,702   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 230.8    | 248.2    | 113.3     | 126.3    | 135.9   | 135.4    | 196.2   |
| Gambling:                                       |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 3,082    | 1,197    | 1,537     | 876      | 514     | 252      | 7,458   |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 193.5    | 380.5    | 455.7     | 245.8    | 311.8   | 179.6    | 256.6   |
| All other offenses:                             |          |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged.....                  | 20,007   | 7,337    | 1,797     | 7,180    | 969     | 748      | 38,035  |
| Rate per 100,000.....                           | 1,256.3  | 2,332.1  | 532.8     | 2,014.4  | 587.8   | 533.1    | 1,309.0 |

1-4 The number of persons charged and the rate are based on the reports of the number of cities indicated below: 1 4 cities, 289,889 population; 2 56 cities, 2,848,589 population; 3 2 cities, 775,400 population; 4 56 cities, 2,088,889 population.

TABLE 30.—Number of offenses known, number and percentage of offenses cleared by arrest, 1937, by population groups

## EAST SOUTH CENTRAL STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Population group   | Criminal homicide                 |                            | Rape  | Robbery | Aggravated assault | Burglary—breaking or entering | Larceny—<br>theft | Auto theft |
|--|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|-------|---------|--------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|------------|
|  | Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter | Manslaughter by negligence |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| GROUP I and GROUP II: <sup>1</sup>                                 |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| GROUP III.—2 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; total population, 134,400: |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                      | 43                                | 31                         | 5     | 65      | 128                | 614                           | 870               | 259        |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                      | 40                                | 26                         | 3     | 35      | 106                | 112                           | 428               | 21         |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                  | 93.0                              | 83.9                       | 60.0  | 53.8    | 82.8               | 18.2                          | 49.2              | 8.1        |
| GROUP IV.—1 city, 25,000 to 50,000; population, 32,824:            |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                      | 3                                 | 1                          | 3     | 47      | 40                 | 278                           | 243               | 95         |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                      | 3                                 | 1                          | 2     | 23      | 37                 | 36                            | 63                | 10         |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                  | 100.0                             | 100.0                      | 66.7  | 48.9    | 92.5               | 12.9                          | 25.9              | 10.5       |
| GROUP V.—5 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; total population, 67,000:     |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                      | 15                                | 7                          | 2     | 16      | 20                 | 77                            | 275               | 87         |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                      | 12                                | 6                          | 1     | 13      | 19                 | 24                            | 111               | 35         |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                  | 80.0                              | 85.7                       | 50.0  | 81.3    | 95.0               | 31.2                          | 40.4              | 40.2       |
| GROUP VI.—9 cities under 10,000; total population, 47,956:         |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                      | 13                                | 5                          | 5     | 12      | 58                 | 86                            | 180               | 35         |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                      | 12                                | 5                          | 5     | 9       | 55                 | 51                            | 105               | 21         |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                  | 92.3                              | 100.0                      | 100.0 | 75.0    | 94.8               | 59.3                          | 58.3              | 60.0       |
| Total, 17 cities; total population, 282,180:                       |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                   |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                      | 74                                | 44                         | 15    | 140     | 246                | 1,055                         | 1,568             | 476        |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                      | 67                                | 38                         | 11    | 80      | 217                | 223                           | 707               | 87         |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                  | 90.5                              | 86.4                       | 73.3  | 57.1    | 88.2               | 21.1                          | 45.1              | 18.3       |

<sup>1</sup> No cities in this population group represented.

TABLE 31.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups

## EAST SOUTH CENTRAL STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Offense charged                    | Group I <sup>1</sup> | Group II <sup>1</sup> | Group III                                       | Group IV                                    | Group V                                       | Group VI                                  | Total, 17 cities; total population, 282,180 |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|---|---|---|---|---|
|                                    |                      |                       | 2 cities 50,000 to 100,000; population, 134,400 | 1 city 25,000 to 50,000; population, 32,824 | 5 cities 10,000 to 25,000; population, 67,000 | 9 cities under 10,000; population, 47,956 |   |
| Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter: |                      |                       |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....     |                      |                       | 37  | 3   | 6   | 9   | 55  |
| Rate per 100,000.....              |                      |                       | 27.5  | 9.1   | 9.0   | 18.8                                      | 19.5  |
| Manslaughter by negligence:        |                      |                       |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....     |                      |                       | 31  | 1   | 5   | 5   | 42  |
| Rate per 100,000.....              |                      |                       | 23.1  | 3.0   | 7.5   | 10.4                                      | 14.9  |
| Robbery:                           |                      |                       |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....     |                      |                       | 35  | 23  | 15  | 11  | 84  |
| Rate per 100,000.....              |                      |                       | 26.0  | 70.1  | 22.4  | 22.9                                      | 29.8  |
| Aggravated assault:                |                      |                       |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....     |                      |                       | 99  | 37  | 21  | 44  | 201   |
| Rate per 100,000.....              |                      |                       | 73.7  | 112.7                                       | 31.3  | 91.8                                      | 71.2  |
| Other assaults:                    |                      |                       |   |   |   |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....     |                      |                       | 330   | 34  | 213   | 76  | 653   |
| Rate per 100,000.....              |                      |                       | 245.5   | 103.6                                       | 317.9   | 158.5                                     | 231.4                                       |

<sup>1</sup> No cities in this population group represented.

TABLE 31.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups—Continued

## EAST SOUTH CENTRAL STATES—Continued

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Offense charged                                 | Group I | Group II | Group III | Group IV | Group V | Group VI | Total   |
|---|---------|----------|-----------|----------|---------|----------|---------|
| Burglary—breaking or entering:                  |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       |         |          | 111       | 36       | 17      | 50       | 214     |
| Rate per 100,000                                |         |          | 82.6      | 109.7    | 23.4    | 104.3    | 75.8    |
| Larceny—thief:                                  |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       |         |          | 416       | 59       | 190     | 96       | 751     |
| Rate per 100,000                                |         |          | 309.5     | 179.7    | 268.7   | 200.2    | 266.1   |
| Auto theft:                                     |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       |         |          | 20        | 10       | 15      | 22       | 67      |
| Rate per 100,000                                |         |          | 14.9      | 30.5     | 22.4    | 48.9     | 23.7    |
| Embezzlement and fraud:                         |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       |         |          | 21        | 9        | 15      | 2        | 47      |
| Rate per 100,000                                |         |          | 15.6      | 27.4     | 22.4    | 4.2      | 16.7    |
| Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing: |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       |         |          | 16        | 26       | 26      | 3        | 73      |
| Rate per 100,000                                |         |          | 11.9      | 85.3     | 38.8    | 6.3      | 25.9    |
| Forgery and counterfeiting:                     |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       |         |          | 15        | 10       | 6       | 14       | 45      |
| Rate per 100,000                                |         |          | 11.2      | 30.5     | 9.0     | 29.2     | 15.9    |
| Rape:   |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       |         |          | 3         | 2        | 1       | 5        | 11      |
| Rate per 100,000                                |         |          | 2.2       | 6.1      | 1.5     | 10.4     | 3.9     |
| Prostitution and commercialized vice:           |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       |         |          | 5         | 18       | 2       | 4        | 29      |
| Rate per 100,000                                |         |          | 3.7       | 54.8     | 3.0     | 8.3      | 10.3    |
| Sex offenses (except rape and prostitution):    |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       |         |          | 1         | 8        | 5       | 1        | 15      |
| Rate per 100,000                                |         |          | 0.7       | 24.4     | 7.5     | 2.1      | 5.3     |
| Narcotic drug laws:                             |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       |         |          | 2         | 8        | 1       | 3        | 14      |
| Rate per 100,000                                |         |          | 1.5       | 24.4     | 1.5     | 6.3      | 5.0     |
| Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.:            |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       |         |          | 48        | 12       | 55      | 46       | 161     |
| Rate per 100,000                                |         |          | 35.7      | 30.6     | 82.1    | 95.9     | 57.1    |
| Offenses against family and children:           |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       |         |          | 2         | 43       | 3       | 4        | 52      |
| Rate per 100,000                                |         |          | 1.5       | 131.0    | 4.5     | 8.3      | 18.4    |
| Liquor laws:                                    |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       |         |          | 85        | 34       | 195     | 174      | 458     |
| Rate per 100,000                                |         |          | 40.9      | 103.6    | 291.0   | 362.8    | 162.3   |
| Driving while intoxicated:                      |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       |         |          | 211       | 4        | 196     | 270      | 681     |
| Rate per 100,000                                |         |          | 157.0     | 12.2     | 292.8   | 563.0    | 241.3   |
| Traffic and motor vehicle laws:                 |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       |         |          | 4,579     | 97       | 2,280   | 956      | 7,912   |
| Rate per 100,000                                |         |          | 3,407.0   | 295.5    | 3,403.0 | 1,993.5  | 2,803.9 |
| Disorderly conduct:                             |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       |         |          | 736       | 375      | 357     | 513      | 1,981   |
| Rate per 100,000                                |         |          | 547.6     | 1,142.5  | 532.8   | 1,069.7  | 702.0   |
| Drunkenness:                                    |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       |         |          | 2,717     | 2        | 2,892   | 2,192    | 7,803   |
| Rate per 100,000                                |         |          | 2,021.6   | 6.1      | 4,316.4 | 4,570.9  | 2,765.3 |
| Vagrancy:                                       |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       |         |          | 265       | 61       | 51      | 19       | 396     |
| Rate per 100,000                                |         |          | 197.2     | 185.8    | 78.1    | 39.6     | 140.3   |
| Gambling:                                       |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       |         |          | 73        | 22       | 143     | 217      | 455     |
| Rate per 100,000                                |         |          | 54.3      | 67.0     | 213.4   | 452.5    | 161.2   |
| All other offenses:                             |         |          |           |          |         |          |         |
| Number of persons charged                       |         |          | 1,961     | 141      | 71      | 84       | 2,257   |
| Rate per 100,000                                |         |          | 1,459.1   | 429.6    | 108.0   | 178.2    | 799.8   |

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TABLE 32.—Number of offenses known, number and percentage of offenses cleared by arrest, 1937, by population groups

## WEST SOUTH CENTRAL STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Population group   | Criminal homicide                 |                            | Rape  | Robbery | Aggravated assault | Burglary—breaking or entering | Larceny— theft | Auto theft |
|--|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|-------|---------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|------------|
|  | Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter | Manslaughter by negligence |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| GROUP I.—3 cities over 250,000; total population, 1,066,900:       |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                      | 239                               | 73                         | 87    | 702     | 860                | 4,233                         | 13,338         | 2,642      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                      | 216                               | 72                         | 79    | 371     | 672                | 1,539                         | 3,034          | 789        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                  | 90.4                              | 98.6                       | 90.8  | 52.8    | 78.1               | 36.4                          | 22.7           | 29.9       |
| GROUP II.—4 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; total population, 719,900: |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                      | 75                                | 55                         | 47    | 533     | 525                | 3,825                         | 10,645         | 1,529      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                      | 69                                | 49                         | 46    | 165     | 427                | 1,277                         | 4,241          | 404        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                  | 92.0                              | 89.1                       | 97.9  | 31.0    | 81.3               | 33.4                          | 39.8           | 26.4       |
| GROUP III.—4 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; total population, 256,700: |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                      | 48                                | 12                         | 15    | 122     | 391                | 1,622                         | 4,068          | 412        |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                      | 38                                | 12                         | 14    | 52      | 324                | 541                           | 974            | 104        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                  | 79.2                              | 100.0                      | 93.3  | 42.6    | 82.9               | 33.4                          | 23.8           | 25.2       |
| GROUP IV.—4 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; total population, 132,600:   |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                      | 11                                | 4                          | 19    | 57      | 68                 | 453                           | 1,756          | 177        |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                      | 9                                 | 4                          | 18    | 24      | 66                 | 185                           | 689            | 54         |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                  | 81.8                              | 100.0                      | 94.7  | 42.1    | 97.1               | 40.8                          | 39.2           | 30.5       |
| GROUP V.—8 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; total population, 128,330:    |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                      | 12                                | 1                          | 9     | 47      | 46                 | 423                           | 1,429          | 165        |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                      | 12                                | 1                          | 8     | 21      | 45                 | 109                           | 402            | 68         |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                  | 100.0                             | 100.0                      | 88.9  | 44.7    | 97.8               | 25.8                          | 28.1           | 41.2       |
| GROUP VI.—26 cities under 10,000; total population, 146,843:       |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                      | 9                                 | 4                          | 14    | 51      | 52                 | 479                           | 1,025          | 121        |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                      | 9                                 | 4                          | 14    | 28      | 52                 | 156                           | 346            | 68         |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                  | 100.0                             | 100.0                      | 100.0 | 54.9    | 100.0              | 32.6                          | 33.8           | 56.2       |
| Total, 49 cities; total population, 2,451,273:                     |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                      | 394                               | 149                        | 191   | 1,512   | 1,942              | 11,035                        | 32,281         | 5,046      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                      | 353                               | 142                        | 179   | 661     | 1,586              | 3,807                         | 9,686          | 1,487      |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                  | 89.6                              | 95.3                       | 93.7  | 43.7    | 81.7               | 34.5                          | 30.0           | 29.5       |

TABLE 33.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups

## WEST SOUTH CENTRAL STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Offense charged                    | Group I                                      | Group II   | Group III                                       | Group IV                                       | Group V  | Group VI                                    | Total, 49 cities; total population, 2,451,273 |
|------------------------------------|--|--|---|--|--|---|---|
|                                    | 3 cities over 250,000; population, 1,066,900 | 4 cities 100,000 to 250,000; population, 719,900 | 4 cities 50,000 to 100,000; population, 256,700 | 4 cities 25,000 to 50,000; population, 132,600 | 8 cities 10,000 to 25,000; population, 128,330 | 26 cities under 10,000; population, 146,843 |   |
| Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter: |  |  |   |  |  |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....     | 184  | 73   | 39  | 14   | 13   | 9   | 332   |
| Rate per 100,000.....              | 17.2   | 10.1   | 15.2  | 10.6   | 10.1   | 6.1   | 13.5  |
| Manslaughter by negligence:        |  |  |   |  |  |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....     | 29   | 56   | 23  | 4  | 1  | 3   | 116   |
| Rate per 100,000.....              | 2.7  | 7.8  | 9.0   | 3.0  | .8   | 2.0   | 4.7   |

TABLE 33.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups—Continued

## WEST SOUTH CENTRAL STATES—Continued

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Offense charged  | Group I  | Group II | Group III | Group IV | Group V | Group VI | Total    |
|--|----------|----------|-----------|----------|---------|----------|----------|
| <b>Robbery:</b>  |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                              | 386      | 253      | 59        | 24       | 23      | 34       | 779      |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 36.2     | 35.1     | 23.0      | 18.1     | 17.9    | 23.2     | 31.8     |
| <b>Aggravated assault:</b>                             |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                              | 726      | 436      | 302       | 68       | 43      | 56       | 1,631    |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 68.0     | 60.6     | 117.6     | 51.3     | 33.5    | 38.1     | 66.5     |
| <b>Other assaults:</b>                                 |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                              | 1,022    | 958      | 423       | 814      | 259     | 212      | 3,688    |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 95.8     | 133.1    | 164.8     | 613.9    | 201.8   | 144.4    | 150.5    |
| <b>Burglary—breaking or entering:</b>                  |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                              | 1,180    | 1,104    | 529       | 181      | 116     | 158      | 3,277    |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 111.4    | 153.4    | 206.1     | 136.5    | 90.4    | 107.6    | 133.7    |
| <b>Larceny—theft:</b>                                  |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                              | 3,291    | 4,463    | 1,991     | 699      | 411     | 318      | 10,273   |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 308.5    | 619.9    | 425.0     | 527.1    | 339.3   | 216.6    | 419.1    |
| <b>Auto theft:</b>                                     |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                              | 581      | 411      | 81        | 50       | 77      | 71       | 1,271    |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 54.5     | 57.1     | 31.6      | 37.7     | 60.0    | 48.4     | 51.9     |
| <b>Embezzlement and fraud:</b>                         |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                              | 196      | 82       | 58        | 25       | 7       | 31       | 399      |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 18.4     | 11.4     | 22.6      | 18.9     | 5.5     | 21.1     | 16.3     |
| <b>Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing:</b> |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                              | 138      | 214      | 129       | 19       | 25      | 43       | 568      |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 12.9     | 29.7     | 50.3      | 14.3     | 19.3    | 29.3     | 23.2     |
| <b>Forgery and counterfeiting:</b>                     |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                              | 233      | 147      | 71        | 58       | 16      | 31       | 556      |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 21.8     | 20.4     | 27.7      | 43.7     | 12.5    | 21.1     | 22.7     |
| <b>Rape:</b>   |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                              | 92       | 49       | 19        | 18       | 8       | 14       | 200      |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 8.6      | 6.8      | 7.4       | 13.6     | 6.2     | 9.5      | 8.2      |
| <b>Prostitution and commercialized vice:</b>           |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                              | 1,086    | 3,877    | 81        | 29       | 23      | 8        | 5,054    |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 97.1     | 538.5    | 31.6      | 21.9     | 17.9    | 5.4      | 206.2    |
| <b>Sex offenses (except rape and prostitution):</b>    |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                              | 176      | 188      | 347       | 116      | 33      | 41       | 901      |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 16.5     | 26.1     | 135.2     | 87.5     | 25.7    | 27.9     | 36.8     |
| <b>Narcotic drug laws:</b>                             |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                              | 291      | 219      | 24        | 14       | 2       | 2        | 552      |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 27.3     | 30.4     | 9.3       | 10.6     | 1.6     | 1.4      | 22.5     |
| <b>Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.:</b>            |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                              | 360      | 309      | 121       | 80       | 26      | 39       | 935      |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 33.7     | 42.9     | 47.1      | 60.3     | 20.3    | 28.6     | 38.1     |
| <b>Offenses against family and children:</b>           |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                              | 152      | 158      |           | 3        |         | 16       | 329      |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 19.3     | 57.5     |           | 2.3      |         | 10.9     | 19.0     |
| <b>Liquor laws:</b>                                    |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                              | 408      | 1,150    | 229       | 91       | 127     | 238      | 2,243    |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 38.2     | 241.4    | 89.2      | 68.6     | 99.0    | 162.1    | 101.6    |
| <b>Driving while intoxicated:</b>                      |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                              | 632      | 693      | 305       | 271      | 182     | 206      | 2,289    |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 59.2     | 98.3     | 118.8     | 204.4    | 141.8   | 140.3    | 93.4     |
| <b>Traffic and motor vehicle laws:</b>                 |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                              | 210,028  | 90,632   | 35,929    | 9,066    | 8,023   | 5,300    | 358,978  |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 19,685.8 | 12,589.5 | 13,996.5  | 6,837.1  | 6,251.9 | 3,609.3  | 14,644.6 |
| <b>Disorderly conduct:</b>                             |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                              | 9,678    | 3,015    | 1,113     | 242      | 449     | 475      | 14,972   |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 907.1    | 418.8    | 433.6     | 182.5    | 349.9   | 323.5    | 610.8    |
| <b>Drunkenness:</b>                                    |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                              | 19,863   | 18,842   | 6,175     | 4,341    | 4,203   | 4,378    | 57,802   |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 1,861.7  | 2,617.3  | 2,408.5   | 3,273.8  | 3,275.2 | 2,981.4  | 2,358.0  |
| <b>Vagrancy:</b>                                       |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                              | 5,124    | 5,005    | 558       | 696      | 399     | 143      | 11,835   |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 480.3    | 695.2    | 217.4     | 457.0    | 310.9   | 97.4     | 482.8    |
| <b>Gambling:</b>                                       |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                              | 2,835    | 1,411    | 1,069     | 216      | 85      | 291      | 5,907    |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 265.7    | 196.0    | 416.4     | 162.9    | 66.2    | 198.2    | 241.0    |
| <b>All other offenses:</b>                             |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                              | 14,469   | 9,315    | 1,663     | 1,181    | 876     | 465      | 27,999   |
| Rate per 100,000                                       | 1,356.2  | 1,293.9  | 647.6     | 890.6    | 682.6   | 316.7    | 1,141.0  |

<sup>1-4</sup> The number of persons charged and the rate are based on the reports of the number of cities indicated below: <sup>1</sup> 2 cities, 788,900 population; <sup>2</sup> 2 cities, 275,000 population; <sup>3</sup> 48 cities, 1,738,373 population; <sup>4</sup> 3 cities, 478,400 population; <sup>5</sup> 48 cities, 2,207,773 population.

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TABLE 34.—Number of offenses known, number and percentage of offenses cleared by arrest, 1937, by population groups

## MOUNTAIN STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Population group   | Criminal homicide                 |                            | Rape  | Robbery | Aggravated assault | Burglary—breaking or entering | Larceny— theft | Auto theft |
|--|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|-------|---------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|------------|
|  | Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter | Manslaughter by negligence |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| GROUP I.—1 city over 250,000; population, 293,200:               |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                    | 18                                | 4                          | 30    | 205     | 67                 | 1,323                         | 1,805          | 622        |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                    | 17                                | 3                          | 30    | 94      | 67                 | 661                           | 900            | 232        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                | 94.4                              | 75.0                       | 100.0 | 45.9    | 100.0              | 50.0                          | 49.9           | 37.3       |
| GROUP II. <sup>1</sup>   |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| GROUP III.—1 city, 50,000 to 100,000; population, 51,500:        |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                    | 2                                 | 1                          | 5     | 46      | 20                 | 225                           | 286            | 106        |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                    | 2                                 | 1                          | 4     | 18      | 18                 | 56                            | 118            | 14         |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                | 100.0                             | 100.0                      | 80.0  | 39.1    | 90.0               | 24.9                          | 30.6           | 13.2       |
| GROUP IV.—4 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; total population, 136,600: |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                    | 7                                 | 5                          | 20    | 56      | 29                 | 792                           | 2,417          | 685        |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                    | 6                                 | 5                          | 16    | 28      | 22                 | 209                           | 672            | 105        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                | 85.7                              | 100.0                      | 80.0  | 50.0    | 75.9               | 26.4                          | 27.8           | 15.3       |
| GROUP V.—9 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; total population, 137,744:  |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                    | 3                                 | 1                          | 12    | 79      | 21                 | 550                           | 2,551          | 555        |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                    | 2                                 | 1                          | 10    | 47      | 20                 | 208                           | 690            | 128        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                | 66.7                              | 100.0                      | 83.3  | 59.5    | 95.2               | 37.8                          | 27.0           | 23.1       |
| GROUP VI.—27 cities under 10,000; total population, 156,268:     |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                    | 5                                 | 4                          | 12    | 103     | 34                 | 466                           | 1,322          | 202        |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                    | 4                                 | 3                          | 9     | 55      | 30                 | 130                           | 408            | 60         |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                | 80.0                              | 75.0                       | 75.0  | 53.4    | 88.2               | 27.9                          | 26.8           | 29.7       |
| Total, 42 cities; total population, 775,112:                     |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....                                    | 35                                | 15                         | 79    | 489     | 171                | 3,356                         | 8,681          | 2,170      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....                                    | 31                                | 12                         | 69    | 242     | 157                | 1,264                         | 2,788          | 539        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....                                | 88.6                              | 80.0                       | 87.3  | 49.5    | 91.8               | 37.7                          | 32.1           | 24.8       |

<sup>1</sup> No cities in this population group represented.

TABLE 35.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups

## MOUNTAIN STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Offense charged                    | Group I                                  | Group II <sup>1</sup> | Group III                                    | Group IV                                       | Group V  | Group VI                                    | Total, 42 cities; total population, 775,112 |
|------------------------------------|--|-----------------------|--|--|--|---|---|
|                                    | 1 city over 250,000; population, 293,200 |                       | 1 city 50,000 to 100,000; population, 51,500 | 4 cities 25,000 to 50,000; population, 136,600 | 9 cities 10,000 to 25,000; population, 137,744 | 27 cities under 10,000; population, 156,268 |   |
| Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter: |  |                       |  |  |  |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....     | 13                                       | -----                 | 2  | 6  | 2  | 5   | 28  |
| Rate per 100,000.....              | 4.4                                      | -----                 | 3.9  | 4.4  | 1.5  | 3.2   | 3.6   |
| Manslaughter by negligence:        |  |                       |  |  |  |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....     | 7  | -----                 | 1  | 5  | -----  | 3   | 16  |
| Rate per 100,000.....              | 2.4                                      | -----                 | 1.9  | 3.7  | -----  | 1.9   | 2.1   |
| Robbery:                           |  |                       |  |  |  |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....     | 53                                       | -----                 | 17   | 18   | 62   | 39  | 180   |
| Rate per 100,000.....              | 18.1                                     | -----                 | 33.1   | 13.2   | 45.0   | 25.0  | 24.4  |
| Aggravated assault:                |  |                       |  |  |  |   |   |
| Number of persons charged.....     | 18                                       | -----                 | 18   | 22   | 25   | 27  | 110   |
| Rate per 100,000.....              | 6.1                                      | -----                 | 35.1   | 16.1   | 18.1   | 17.3  | 14.2  |

<sup>1</sup> No cities in this population group represented.

TABLE 35.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups—Continued

## MOUNTAIN STATES—Continued

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Offense charged                                 | Group I  | Group II | Group III | Group IV | Group V | Group VI | Total    |
|---|----------|----------|-----------|----------|---------|----------|----------|
| Other assaults:                                 |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 11       |          | 18        | 136      | 316     | 71       | 552      |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 3.8      |          | 35.1      | 90.6     | 239.4   | 45.4     | 71.2     |
| Burglary—breaking or entering:                  |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 133      |          | 56        | 158      | 172     | 174      | 693      |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 45.4     |          | 100.2     | 115.7    | 124.9   | 111.3    | 89.4     |
| Larceny—thrift:                                 |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 304      |          | 118       | 618      | 424     | 272      | 1,736    |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 100.7    |          | 230.0     | 452.4    | 307.8   | 174.1    | 224.0    |
| Auto theft:                                     |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 33       |          | 14        | 40       | 98      | 64       | 249      |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 11.3     |          | 27.3      | 29.3     | 71.1    | 41.0     | 32.1     |
| Embezzlement and fraud:                         |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 64       |          | 6         | 15       | 45      | 20       | 150      |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 21.8     |          | 11.7      | 11.0     | 33.7    | 12.8     | 19.4     |
| Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing: |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       |          |          | 4         | 49       | 7       | 9        | 69       |
| Rate per 100,000                                |          |          | 7.8       | 35.9     | 5.1     | 5.8      | 8.9      |
| Forgery and counterfeiting:                     |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 13       |          | 6         | 35       | 61      | 52       | 167      |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 4.4      |          | 11.7      | 25.6     | 44.3    | 33.3     | 21.5     |
| Rape:   |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 26       |          | 4         | 16       | 18      | 11       | 73       |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 8.9      |          | 7.8       | 11.7     | 11.6    | 7.0      | 9.4      |
| Prostitution and commercialized vice:           |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | (1)      |          | 16        | 451      | 11      | 203      | 2 681    |
| Rate per 100,000                                | (1)      |          | 31.2      | 330.2    | 8.0     | 129.9    | 141.3    |
| Sex offenses (except rape and prostitution):    |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 22       |          |           | 21       | 106     | 20       | 169      |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 7.5      |          |           | 15.4     | 77.0    | 12.8     | 21.8     |
| Narcotic drug laws:                             |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 50       |          | 14        | 3        | 25      | 13       | 105      |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 17.1     |          | 27.3      | 2.2      | 18.1    | 8.3      | 13.5     |
| Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.:            |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 58       |          | 21        | 50       | 22      | 40       | 191      |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 19.8     |          | 40.9      | 36.6     | 16.0    | 23.6     | 24.6     |
| Offenses against family and children:           |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 2        |          | 1         | 8        | 13      | 10       | 34       |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 0.7      |          | 1.9       | 5.9      | 9.4     | 6.4      | 4.4      |
| Liquor laws:                                    |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 31       |          | 5         | 73       | 84      | 40       | 233      |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 10.6     |          | 9.7       | 53.4     | 61.0    | 25.6     | 30.1     |
| Driving while intoxicated:                      |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 407      |          | 97        | 240      | 317     | 330      | 1,391    |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 138.8    |          | 189.1     | 175.7    | 230.1   | 211.2    | 170.5    |
| Traffic and motor vehicle laws:                 |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 45,266   |          | 1,552     | 21,421   | 13,456  | 8,764    | 87,550   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 15,472.7 |          | 3,023.3   | 15,081.6 | 9,768.8 | 3,688.5  | 11,206.3 |
| Disorderly conduct:                             |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 1,606    |          | 266       | 637      | 2,898   | 1,206    | 6,403    |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 547.7    |          | 518.5     | 466.3    | 1,886.1 | 829.3    | 826.1    |
| Drunkenness:                                    |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 2,918    |          | 1,153     | 4,692    | 3,483   | 4,267    | 16,513   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 995.2    |          | 2,247.6   | 3,434.8  | 2,828.6 | 2,730.6  | 2,130.4  |
| Vagrancy:                                       |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | (2)      |          | 365       | 897      | 811     | 706      | 2 2,779  |
| Rate per 100,000                                | (2)      |          | 711.5     | 650.7    | 588.8   | 451.8    | 576.7    |
| Gambling:                                       |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 183      |          | 29        | 87       | 49      | 151      | 409      |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 62.4     |          | 56.5      | 63.7     | 35.6    | 96.6     | 64.4     |
| All other offenses:                             |          |          |           |          |         |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 1,692    |          | 504       | 1,249    | 689     | 302      | 4,436    |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 577.1    |          | 982.5     | 914.3    | 500.2   | 199.3    | 573.3    |

<sup>1</sup> Figures for prostitution and commercialized vice and vagrancy were not separately listed on the report for this city. The combined figure for those classes is 1,852.

<sup>2</sup> Figures for prostitution and commercialized vice and vagrancy are based on reports of 41 cities with a total population of 481,912.

TABLE 36.—Number of offenses known, number and percentage of offenses cleared by arrest, 1937, by population groups

## PACIFIC STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Population group   | Criminal homicide                 |                            | Rape  | Robbery | Aggravated assault | Burglary—breaking or entering | Larceny— theft | Auto theft |
|--|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|-------|---------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|------------|
|  | Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter | Manslaughter by negligence |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| <b>GROUP I.</b> —3 cities over 250,000; total population, 1,200,900:       |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....  | 60                                | 174                        | 52    | 1,107   | 503                | 6,095                         | 17,200         | 6,200      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....  | 46                                | 131                        | 40    | 291     | 289                | 1,611                         | 2,729          | 574        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....  | 76.7                              | 75.3                       | 76.9  | 26.3    | 77.3               | 26.4                          | 15.9           | 9.3        |
| <b>GROUP II.</b> —2 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; total population, 317,100: |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....  | 11                                | 22                         | 49    | 163     | 44                 | 395                           | 929            | 1,162      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....  | 11                                | 22                         | 41    | 76      | 34                 | 156                           | 231            | 185        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....  | 100.0                             | 100.0                      | 83.7  | 46.6    | 77.3               | 39.5                          | 24.9           | 15.9       |
| <b>GROUP III.</b> —5 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; total population, 403,367: |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....  | 12                                | 7                          | 29    | 279     | 93                 | 1,959                         | 6,264          | 1,186      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....  | 11                                | 7                          | 29    | 100     | 64                 | 585                           | 1,306          | 251        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....  | 91.7                              | 100.0                      | 100.0 | 35.8    | 68.8               | 29.9                          | 20.7           | 21.2       |
| <b>GROUP IV.</b> —8 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; total population, 255,700:   |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....  | 10                                | 5                          | 12    | 116     | 26                 | 1,350                         | 3,079          | 800        |
| Number cleared by arrest.....  | 10                                | 6                          | 7     | 57      | 24                 | 338                           | 535            | 141        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....  | 100.0                             | 120.0                      | 58.3  | 49.1    | 92.3               | 25.0                          | 17.4           | 17.6       |
| <b>GROUP V.</b> —23 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; total population, 346,376:   |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....  | 7                                 | 9                          | 35    | 128     | 37                 | 1,434                         | 4,990          | 1,228      |
| Number cleared by arrest.....  | 6                                 | 9                          | 33    | 41      | 34                 | 425                           | 892            | 257        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....  | 85.7                              | 100.0                      | 94.3  | 32.0    | 91.9               | 29.6                          | 17.9           | 20.9       |
| <b>GROUP VI.</b> —67 cities under 10,000; total population, 354,800:       |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....  | 12                                | 12                         | 37    | 137     | 106                | 1,302                         | 3,677          | 908        |
| Number cleared by arrest.....  | 10                                | 10                         | 32    | 60      | 90                 | 403                           | 1,017          | 264        |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....  | 83.3                              | 83.3                       | 86.5  | 43.8    | 84.9               | 31.0                          | 27.7           | 29.1       |
| <b>Total, 108 cities; total population, 2,940,243:</b>                     |                                   |                            |       |         |                    |                               |                |            |
| Number of offenses known.....  | 112                               | 229                        | 214   | 1,930   | 809                | 12,535                        | 36,169         | 11,484     |
| Number cleared by arrest.....  | 94                                | 185                        | 182   | 625     | 635                | 3,518                         | 6,710          | 1,672      |
| Percentage cleared by arrest.....  | 83.9                              | 80.8                       | 85.0  | 32.4    | 78.5               | 28.1                          | 18.6           | 14.6       |

TABLE 37.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups

## PACIFIC STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Offense charged                           | Group I<br>3 cities over 250,000; population, 1,200,900 | Group II<br>2 cities 100,000 to 250,000; population, 317,100 | Group III<br>5 cities 50,000 to 100,000; population, 403,367 | Group IV<br>8 cities 25,000 to 50,000; population, 255,700 | Group V<br>23 cities 10,000 to 25,000; population, 346,376 | Group VI<br>67 cities under 10,000; population, 354,800 | Total, 108 cities; total population, 2,940,243 |
|---|---|--|--|--|--|---|--|
| <b>Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter:</b> |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |
| Number of persons charged.....            | 56  | 9  | 13   | 10   | 5  | 13  | 106  |
| Rate per 100,000.....                     | 4.4   | 2.8  | 3.2  | 3.9  | 1.4  | 3.7   | 3.6  |
| <b>Manslaughter by negligence:</b>        |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |
| Number of persons charged.....            | 113   | 22   | 5  | 3  | 6  | 13  | 162  |
| Rate per 100,000.....                     | 9.0   | 6.9  | 1.2  | 1.2  | 1.7  | 3.7   | 5.5  |
| <b>Robbery:</b>                           |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |
| Number of persons charged.....            | 368   | 63   | 75   | 54   | 60   | 86  | 696  |
| Rate per 100,000.....                     | 29.2  | 16.7   | 18.6   | 21.1   | 14.4   | 24.2  | 21.3   |

TABLE 37.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups—Continued

## PACIFIC STATES—Continued

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

| Offense charged                                 | Group I  | Group II | Group III | Group IV | Group V  | Group VI | Total    |
|---|----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Aggravated assault:                             |          |          |           |          |          |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 368      | 30       | 56        | 59       | 44       | 87       | 644      |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 29.2     | 9.5      | 13.9      | 23.1     | 12.6     | 24.5     | 21.9     |
| Other assaults:                                 |          |          |           |          |          |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 755      | 286      | 316       | 120      | 203      | 225      | 1,905    |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 59.9     | 90.2     | 78.3      | 46.9     | 58.3     | 63.4     | 64.8     |
| Burglary—breaking or entering:                  |          |          |           |          |          |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 812      | 122      | 353       | 270      | 250      | 347      | 2,154    |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 64.4     | 38.5     | 87.5      | 105.6    | 71.8     | 97.8     | 73.3     |
| Larceny—theft:                                  |          |          |           |          |          |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 2,691    | 416      | 888       | 538      | 806      | 712      | 6,041    |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 229.3    | 131.2    | 220.1     | 210.4    | 171.1    | 200.7    | 205.5    |
| Auto theft:                                     |          |          |           |          |          |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 547      | 94       | 190       | 176      | 196      | 185      | 1,388    |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 43.4     | 29.6     | 47.1      | 68.8     | 56.3     | 52.1     | 47.2     |
| Embezzlement and fraud:                         |          |          |           |          |          |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 300      | 93       | 99        | 49       | 77       | 55       | 673      |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 23.8     | 29.3     | 24.5      | 19.2     | 22.1     | 18.5     | 22.9     |
| Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing: |          |          |           |          |          |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 111      | 38       | 13        | 2        | 16       | 43       | 223      |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 8.8      | 12.0     | 3.2       | 0.8      | 4.6      | 12.1     | 7.6      |
| Forgery and counterfeiting:                     |          |          |           |          |          |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 348      | 106      | 112       | 95       | 72       | 134      | 867      |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 27.6     | 53.4     | 27.8      | 37.2     | 20.7     | 37.8     | 29.5     |
| Rape:   |          |          |           |          |          |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 39       | 28       | 26        | 11       | 26       | 25       | 155      |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 3.1      | 8.8      | 6.4       | 4.3      | 7.5      | 7.0      | 5.3      |
| Prostitution and commercialized vice:           |          |          |           |          |          |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 3,047    | 1,047    | 219       | 53       | 200      | 68       | 4,534    |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 241.7    | 330.2    | 54.3      | 20.7     | 57.4     | 19.2     | 187.6    |
| Sex offenses (except rape and prostitution):    |          |          |           |          |          |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 195      | 82       | 187       | 74       | 49       | 70       | 637      |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 15.5     | 25.9     | 48.4      | 28.9     | 14.1     | 19.7     | 22.3     |
| Narcotic drug laws:                             |          |          |           |          |          |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 685      | 9        | 43        | 10       | 18       | 21       | 796      |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 54.3     | 2.8      | 10.7      | 3.9      | 8.2      | 5.9      | 20.7     |
| Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.:            |          |          |           |          |          |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 179      | 48       | 116       | 27       | 44       | 39       | 453      |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 14.2     | 15.1     | 28.8      | 10.6     | 12.6     | 11.0     | 15.4     |
| Offenses against family and children:           |          |          |           |          |          |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 638      | 103      | 119       | 112      | 30       | 47       | 1,049    |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 50.6     | 32.5     | 29.5      | 43.8     | 8.6      | 13.2     | 35.7     |
| Liquor laws:                                    |          |          |           |          |          |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 204      | 23       | 39        | 51       | 176      | 63       | 556      |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 16.2     | 7.3      | 9.7       | 19.9     | 50.5     | 17.8     | 18.9     |
| Driving while intoxicated:                      |          |          |           |          |          |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 1,149    | 1,180    | 863       | 570      | 1,648    | 2,175    | 7,585    |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 91.1     | 372.1    | 213.9     | 222.9    | 473.1    | 613.0    | 258.0    |
| Traffic and motor vehicle laws:                 |          |          |           |          |          |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 130,879  | 33,909   | 46,218    | 60,891   | 44,988   | 32,509   | 249,394  |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 10,379.8 | 21,179.9 | 11,458.1  | 23,813.5 | 12,913.6 | 9,162.6  | 12,553.5 |
| Disorderly conduct:                             |          |          |           |          |          |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 2,393    | 1,269    | 839       | 792      | 1,123    | 1,485    | 7,901    |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 189.8    | 409.2    | 308.0     | 309.7    | 322.4    | 418.5    | 298.7    |
| Drunkenness:                                    |          |          |           |          |          |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 52,302   | 10,750   | 3,797     | 7,140    | 9,582    | 9,945    | 93,516   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 4,148.0  | 3,390.1  | 941.3     | 2,792.3  | 2,750.5  | 2,803.0  | 3,180.6  |
| Vagrancy:                                       |          |          |           |          |          |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 12,718   | 1,937    | 5,440     | 1,729    | 3,193    | 2,300    | 27,317   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 1,008.6  | 610.8    | 1,348.6   | 676.2    | 916.5    | 648.3    | 929.1    |
| Gambling:                                       |          |          |           |          |          |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 12,990   | 347      | 177       | 85       | 265      | 296      | 14,130   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 1,030.2  | 109.4    | 43.9      | 33.2     | 78.1     | 75.0     | 480.6    |
| All other offenses:                             |          |          |           |          |          |          |          |
| Number of persons charged                       | 11,050   | 3,317    | 1,556     | 1,450    | 1,627    | 1,166    | 20,166   |
| Rate per 100,000                                | 876.4    | 1,046.0  | 385.8     | 567.1    | 467.0    | 328.6    | 685.9    |

<sup>1</sup> The number of persons charged and the rate are based on the reports of the number of cities indicated below: <sup>1</sup> 1 city, 100,100 population; <sup>2</sup> 107 cities, 2,783,243 population.



## DATA COMPILED FROM FINGERPRINT RECORDS

### *Persons Arrested Outside of State of Birth, 1937.*

The decennial census of 1930 indicates that 23.4 percent of the native population of the United States resides in a State different from the State of birth. However, the following table shows that 49.4 percent of the persons arrested and fingerprinted were at the time outside of their State of birth. This means that more than one-fourth of the persons arrested and fingerprinted throughout the United States are transients in the sense that they have moved from one State to another (this is in excess of the normal interstate movement amounting to 23.4 percent, as shown by the 1930 decennial census). It is doubtless true that the proportion of transients among persons arrested in the larger cities is considerably higher than is indicated by the following tabulation, since there will be persons who were in the status of transients even though they did not come from outside of the State.

TABLE 38.—*Number of cases in which persons were arrested outside of State of birth, Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 1937*

|  | Total born in<br>United States |
|--|--------------------------------|
| <b>Part I and Part II offense classes (all violations of State laws and municipal ordinances):</b>                                 |                                |
| Number of arrest records examined.....   | 478, 640                       |
| Number of arrests outside of State of birth.....   | 236, 266                       |
| Percentage of arrests outside of State of birth.....   | 49. 4                          |
| <b>Part I offenses (murder, manslaughter by negligence, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny, and auto theft):</b> |                                |
| Number of arrest records examined.....   | 152, 500                       |
| Number of arrests outside of State of birth.....   | 64, 845                        |
| Percentage of arrests outside of State of birth.....   | 42. 5                          |
| <b>Part II offenses (all State and municipal violations except those in Part I):</b>   |                                |
| Number of arrest records examined.....   | 326, 140                       |
| Number of arrests outside of State of birth.....   | 171, 421                       |
| Percentage of arrests outside of State of birth.....   | 52. 6                          |

NOTE.—Excluded from the foregoing tabulation are those persons whose place of birth was shown to be outside of the continental United States, and also those whose place of birth was not known at the time of their arrest. In addition, fingerprint cards which did not include information concerning the offense charged were excluded.



## OFFENSE CLASSIFICATIONS

In order to indicate more clearly the types of offenses included in Part I and Part II offenses, there follows a brief definition of each classification:

### Part I Offenses.

1. *Criminal homicide*.—(a) Murder and nonnegligent manslaughter includes all felonious homicides except those caused by negligence. Does not include attempts to kill, assaults to kill, justifiable homicides, suicides, or accidental deaths. (b) Manslaughter by negligence includes only those cases in which death is caused by culpable negligence which is so clearly evident that if the person responsible for the death were apprehended he would be prosecuted for manslaughter.

2. *Rape*.—Includes forcible rape, statutory rape, assault to rape, and attempted rape.

3. *Robbery*.—Includes stealing or taking anything of value from the person by force or violence or by putting in fear, such as highway robbery, stick-ups, robbery armed. Includes assault to rob and attempt to rob.

4. *Aggravated assault*.—Includes assault with intent to kill; assault by shooting, cutting, stabbing, maiming, poisoning, scalding, or by use of acids. Does not include simple assault, assault and battery, fighting, etc.

5. *Burglary—breaking or entering*.—Includes burglary, housebreaking, safe-cracking, or any unlawful entry to commit a felony or theft. Includes attempted burglary and assault to commit a burglary. Burglary followed by a larceny is entered here and is not counted again under larceny.

6. *Larceny— theft (except auto theft)*.—(a) Fifty dollars and over in value. (b) Under \$50 in value—includes in one of the above subclassifications, depending upon the value of property stolen, pocket-picking, purse-snatching, shoplifting, or any stealing of property or thing of value which is not taken by force and violence or by fraud. Does not include embezzlement, "con" games, forgery, passing worthless checks, etc.

7. *Auto theft*.—Includes all cases where a motor vehicle is stolen or driven away and abandoned, including the so-called "joy-riding" thefts. Does not include taking for temporary use when actually returned by the taker, or unauthorized use by those having lawful access to the vehicle.

### Part II Offenses.

8. *Other assaults*.—Includes all assaults and attempted assaults which are not of an aggravated nature and which do not belong in class 4.

9. *Forgery and counterfeiting*.—Includes offenses dealing with the making, altering, uttering, or possessing, with intent to defraud, anything false which is made to appear true. Includes attempts.

10. *Embezzlement and fraud*.—Includes all offenses of fraudulent conversion, embezzlement, and obtaining money or property by false pretenses.

11. *Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing*.—Includes buying, receiving, and possessing stolen property as well as attempts to commit any of those offenses.

12. *Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.*—Includes all violations of regulations or statutes controlling the carrying, using, possessing, furnishing and manufacturing of deadly weapons or silencers and all attempts to violate such statutes or regulations.

13. *Prostitution and commercialized vice*.—Includes sex offenses of a commercialized nature, or attempts to commit the same, such as, prostitution, keeping bawdy house, procuring, transporting or detaining women for immoral purposes.

14. *Sex offenses (except rape and prostitution and commercialized vice)*.—Includes offenses against chastity, common decency, morals, and the like. Includes attempts.

15. *Offenses against the family and children*.—Includes offenses of nonsupport, neglect, desertion, or abuse of family and children.

16. *Narcotic drug laws*.—Includes offenses relating to narcotic drugs, such as unlawful possession, sale, or use. Exclude Federal offenses.

17. **Liquor laws.**—With the exception of "Drunkenness" (class 18) and "Driving while intoxicated" (class 22), liquor law violations, State or local, are placed in this class. Exclude Federal violations.

18. **Drunkenness.**—Includes all offenses of drunkenness or intoxication.

19. **Disorderly conduct.**—Includes all charges of committing a breach of the peace.

20. **Vagrancy.**—Includes such offenses as vagabondage; begging; loitering; etc.

21. **Gambling.**—Includes offenses of promoting, permitting, or engaging in gambling.

22. **Driving while intoxicated.**—Includes driving or operating any motor vehicle while drunk or under the influence of liquor or narcotics.

23. **Violation of road and driving laws.**—Includes violations of regulations with respect to the proper handling of a motor vehicle to prevent accidents.

24. **Parking violations.**—Includes violations of parking ordinances.

25. **Other violations of traffic and motor vehicle laws.**—Includes violations of State laws and municipal ordinances with regard to traffic and motor vehicles not otherwise provided for in classes 22-24.

26. **All other offenses.**—Includes all violations of State or local laws for which no provision has been made above in classes 1-25.

27. **Suspicion.**—This classification includes all persons arrested as suspicious characters but not in connection with any specific offense and who are released without formal charges being placed against them.

